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THE GRAND CAMPAIGN.

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[OFFICIAL.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., Monday, May 16—5 P. M.

Major-Gen. Dix, New-York:

We have dispatches from Gen. GRANT to 8 o'clock this morning. He states that offensive operations have been necessarily suspended until the roads become passable; that the army is in the best of spirits, and feels the fullest confidence in success. The two armies are now concentrated on the main road from Fredericksburgh to Richmond.

The operations of Gen. SHERMAN yesterday, and two days' hard fighting, forced JOHNSTON to evacuate Resaca at midnight last night. Gen. SHERMAN'S forces are in vigorous pursuit.

No dispatches have been received from Gen. BUTLER to-day. At the latest reports, he was still operating against Fort Darling.

EDWIN M. STANTON,
Secretary of War.

From the Armies in Virginia—Intelligence from Resaca—Two Lines of the Enemy's Works Stormed.

[OFFICIAL.]

WASHINGTON, May 15—11:35 A. M.

Maj.-Gen. Dix.

Our latest dates from Gen. GRANT'S headquarters are to yesterday morning at 7½ o'clock.

No operations of importance had occurred. Our reinforcements were arriving.

Nothing has been received from Gen. BUTLER since his telegrams of Saturday night.

We have intelligence from Resaca up to 11 o'clock last night. Our lines had advanced on the left, two lines of the enemy's earthworks having been stormed.

STONEMAN is reported to have destroyed a wagon train, captured two guns, and thrashed RODDY.

EDWIN M. STANTON,
Secretary of War.

THE LATEST FROM THE FRONT.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE N. Y. TIMES.

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE POTOMAC,
NEAR SPOTTSYLVANIA COURT-HOUSE,
Sunday, May 15—1 P. M.

A Sabbath stillness has prevailed to-day up to this hour, the enemy showing no disposition whatever to attack. Although I see announcements in the Northern papers of the rebel army having been driven beyond Spottsylvania Court-house, there is no truth in them whatever, as my dispatches from day to day will have informed you.

On the contrary, the enemy continue to strengthen his works. *It is fully expected, however, that a vigorous turning movement will complete the evacuation of the rebel lines without a battle.*

The repose of to-day and yesterday is much needed by this army, exhausted as it is by marching and fighting. The mere measurement of the map gives you no idea of the amount of marching the army has been compelled to do our lines six to ten miles in extent, and corps have been marched and countermarched from one wing to the other. This has ordinarily been done during the night, fighting and skirmishing during the day, so that the physical and moral powers of the army have been on the strain for the past twelve days. We have met throughout the most obstinate resistance, and have suffered much, but you will rightly credit the army of the Potomac with a substantial success on the whole. The determination to crush out the rebel army is undagging.

LATER, TWO P. M.—The enemy finding our right withdrawn, is just now making a reconnoissance, for the purpose of finding out our position. The affair is unimportant. Yesterday afternoon the rebels suddenly developed a line of battle on our left, coming through the woods, and gobbling up several of our pickets, and driving back the reserve. Gens. MEADE and WRIGHT, with the Staff, were out beyond our front at the time, and had an extremely narrow escape from capture. Immediately afterward, Gen. WRIGHT threw forward a force, under cover of artillery fire, and retook the position, which was an portant one.

W. SWINTON.

Arrival of a Paroled Union Surgeon from the Rebel Lines—He Brings the Body of Gen. Wadsworth.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE N. Y. TIMES.

WASHINGTON, Monday, May 16.

Dr. MCDEMITT, of the Sixty-sixth New-York Volunteers, who was captured with some six hundred others in the second day's battle in the Wilderness, was paroled on Wednesday last, and arrived within our lines on Saturday with the body of Gen. WADSWORTH. He says he saw Gen. LONGSTREET; that he was wounded in the collar-bone, but had not gone to Richmond. He also states that he saw J. E. B. STUART the day that he left; that he had not even been wounded.

The Secessionists here have a story afloat to-night that BUCKNER'S and BRECKINRIDGE'S forces from East Tennessee have effected a junction with LEE, and that a portion of JOE. JOHNSTON'S army has reinforced BEAUREGARD at Petersburgh.

They claim that all the damage done to the Virginia Central Railroad done by our forces last winter had been repaired and that if the report of Gen. CROOK'S raid is true, and that he made a break in the road near Abingdon, yet these troops could come through in the time which has elapsed since GRANT'S crossing of the Rapidan. The distance from Bull's Gap, in Tennessee, to where CROOK is said to have torn up the road is about 100 miles, which could be marched in five days. They argue that by making this distance on foot and taking cars, which might be sent down that far from Richmond, reinforcements could reach LEE at Spottsylvania within the twelve days since the fight commenced. Facts, of rebel Evacuation of Bull's Gap and a reported collision of SIGEL with the enemy toward Lynchburgh, are all that give color to these statements. The reported junction of BUCHNER is considered here, in military circles, as possible, but not probable.

The following appeared in our postscript edition of yesterday.

WASHINGTON, Sunday, May 15—Midnight

The latest intelligence received here from the front, through unofficial sources, is up to yesterday, at 1 o'clock. On Saturday evening, just before dusk, the rebels made an attack on the position occupied by the Fifth Corps, principally with artillery, but were finally driven back with severe loss. The cannonading was furious for several hours. We lost a number of valuable officers and from two to three hundred men killed and wounded. After the repulse of the rebels, one of the divisions of the Fifth Corps made a charge upon the enemy's position, and, it is reported, captured a rebel battery and a number of prisoners. On Saturday night LEE'S forces were believed to be in line of battle about three miles beyond Spottsylvania Court-house, in a southwesterly direction. His sharpshooters were within half a mile south of the town, which was neutral ground. Several important changes have been made in the positions of our several corps; it would be improper to state what they are; suffice it to say that Gen. GRANT will bring to bear, in the next attack on the rebel position, superior forces on all sides. Fresh troops are arriving. A general assault was to have been made on the enemy's right wing on Saturday morning, but owing to the wretched condition of the roads, which had been rendered almost impassable by the storm, a portion of our army failed to get into position in time, and the attack had to be abandoned in consequence.

My informant says that the impression prevailed at headquarters that there would be hard fighting yet this side of North Anna River. LEE has his forces massed, and will give us battle again as soon as we advance. His army, according to the statements of prisoners captured yesterday, is on quarter rations, and without hope of receiving any from Richmond or Lynchburgh.

Since the fight on Thursday we have captured about two thousand more prisoners, making our total captures in the neighborhood of 12,000.

Further Particulars—How Gen. Lee Treated the Body of Gen. Wadsworth—The Losses, Privations and Spirit of Lee's Army—Desperate Resistance—Lee, Longstreet and Stuart—Gen. Crawford all Right.

PHILADELPHIA, Monday, May 16.

A special dispatch to the *Evening Telegraph*, from Washington, says:

A Surgeon of the Sixty-sixth New-York Regiment, who was captured with six hundred others in the third day's fight, and was subsequently paroled, came into our lines on Saturday with the body of Gen. WADSWORTH, which had been interred by the order of Gen. LEE, in a neat coffin.

We also saw Gen. LONGSTREET in his tent. He was wounded in his collar-bone. The wound was not mortal, but would incapacitate him for active duty for some time.

Gen. J. E. B. STUART was not down at Richmond at the time that Gen. SHERIDAN was near there, and is now in Gen. LEE'S army unhurt.

The rebel loss is tremendous, but there is no indication of their giving up yet.

The rebel lines are well supported by lines of interior works, and more are being constructed.

Gen. LEE has not been wounded, as the Surgeon saw and talked with him on Friday, when he gave him permission to take up the body of Gen. WADSWORTH.

He is of opinion that the rebels will yet make a desperate resistance. He says their privations only seem to exasperate them, and that they are kept up by the hope and idea of exhausting us and compelling us to abandon the contest.

Gen. CRAWFORD, who was cut off from his command of Pennsylvania Reserves last week, and supposed to be a prisoner, is reported to have rejoined the reserves.

Four more boat-loads of wounded arrived here this morning from Aquia Creek.

Some Ohio militia paraded along the Pennsylvania-avenue to-day, making a fine appearance.

REPORTS FROM WASHINGTON.

More About the Returned Surgeon—The Rebel Position Very Strong—Gen. Owens.

WASHINGTON, Monday, May 16.

A late arrival from Belle Plain says that the Surgeon of the Sixty-sixth New-York, who was a prisoner, was paroled by LEE, and allowed to disinter the body of Gen. WADSWORTH, which had been interred in a coffin made by breaking up a door. He was then passed by LEE, with the remains, over the rebel line into ours.

He further states that LONGSTREET lies yet in the rebel camp, very badly wounded in the shoulder blade, which is shattered. He further confirms the fact that the paragraph from a late Petersburgh paper, alleging that LEE is wounded, is untrue. According to his belief, the rebels are very advantageously posted, and will be dislodged from their present position only after very desperate fighting, unless GRANT turns it.

It is now stated that Gen. OWEN, of Pennsylvania, who has been twice reported killed in this campaign, was still alive yesterday. He has had two horses shot from under him. The last one was three days ago, which fell so heavily upon him as to render him insensible. He had to be carried to the hospital, where he was lying yesterday morning, but was soon expected to be in the saddle again.

Affairs at Fredericksburg—Newspaper for the Wounded—The Roads.

WASHINGTON, Monday, May 16.

Among the wounded officers in Seminary Hospital, Georgetown, not heretofore mentioned, is Gen. WM. H. MORRIS, of the First Brigade, Third Division, Sixth Corps.

Since the army began to move, mail facilities have necessarily been suspended. Mr. O. JUDD, working in the Sanitary Commission, writes: "A newspaper, nearly a week old, I chanced to have, was a great treat. It was read by a wounded man in the hospital at Fredericksburgh to his comrades, and passed through different rooms and so read till it was totally worn out. I find the same eagerness among the many hundreds of men. They have been fighting, and now want to know what the papers say, and what people know about their deeds. Let all having any papers published this month mail them, postpaid, to the soldiers whose address they know. All papers that cannot thus be sent can be forwarded to the United States Sanitary Commission, and they will be speedily distributed among the different hospitals and camps with the Sanitary stores."

The roads from Fredericksburgh to Belle Plain are in a horrible condition. Wagons sink to the hubs of the wheels. It takes six or eight hours to go the distance.

GEN. BUTLER'S ARMY.

The Latest from Gen. Butler—Progress of the Siege—Continued Success—Appearance of a Rebel Iron-clad.

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF VIRGINIA AND NORTH CAROLINA, PROCTOR'S CREEK, Va., Saturday, May 14,
VIA FORT MONROE, Monday, May 16.

At daylight Gen. BURNHAM'S Brigade charged upon the enemy's outer works at Proctor's Creek and carried the entire line, section by section.

At 10 o'clock the batteries opened on the enemy, who had fallen back to a line of heavy earthworks next to Fort Darling. The enemy replied briefly until 2 P. M., when the batteries and sharpshooters silenced the enemy's guns.

Nothing more was heard from the rebels during the day. Our batteries continued until sundown. Our loss was 150. We captured a few prisoners. Major AINSWORTH, of the Tenth New-Hampshire, was wounded.

At 4 o'clock in the afternoon a shell exploded the magazines of Fort Darling.

PROCTOR'S CREEK, Sunday, May 15.

A small rebel gunboat came down opposite Fort Darling this morning, threw several shells into our cavalry, and then retired.

Lieut.-Col. POND, of the First United States Cavalry, discovered three torpedoes in the James River this morning.

At noon the enemy came out of their fortifications and attacked HECKMAN'S brigade. The fight was altogether with musketry, and lasted till 4 o'clock. The enemy were drawn back to their works. Sharp shooting was continued along the lines, and the rebels' artillery was kept silenced.

At 8 o'clock last evening the enemy advanced upon our lines near the Petersburgh Turnpike. A short, sharp musketry engagement ensued, which resulted in the enemy's being driven back to their breastworks.

BERMUDA HUNDRED, Monday, May 16—9 A. M.,
VIA FORTRESS MONROE, Monday, May 16—5 P. M.

The rebel iron-clad *Richmond* came down last evening and opened fire on the fleet. The monitors drove her back.

Rebel prisoners say that the enemy have lost more killed than wounded during the last three days, and that 140 of our wounded were taken prisoners.

The Eighth Army Corps Hospital steamer has taken down 90 of our wounded to Hampton. Three-fourths of them were severely wounded.

Everything is favorable. Gen. BUTLER commands in person.

Effect of Grant's Victory on Butler's Troops—All the Railroads to Richmond Cut.

BERMUDA HUNDRED, Saturday, May 14.

There was great cheering at the front this morning, news having reached the troops through rebel lines that Gen. GRANT had captured a whole rebel division, with forty pieces of artillery.

FORT MONROE, Sunday, May 15.

We learn that all the railroads leading to Richmond have been cut.

Gen. Butler is being reinforced.

The Advance Upon Fort Darling—Resistance of the Rebels—Heavy Labors of the Troops—Capture of Beauregard's Courier—The Push for Richmond—Kautz on Railroads.

From our Special Correspondent.

IN BIVOUAC, ON THE RICHMOND AND PETERSBURGH TURNPIKE, Friday Morning May 13, 1864.

Our troops have had little time for resting since they landed in this vicinity. *We have fought five battles in seven days.*

On Monday last we were attempting to get toward Petersburgh, but meeting with obstacles in that direction which could only be overcome at a cost more expensive than the possible result, we changed front, and are now working gradually in the direction of Richmond.

Our forces were ordered out at daybreak yesterday, and after a march of three miles, met the enemy. At no time, however, during the day was the fighting severe. Brisk skirmishing between the pickets and an occasional interchange of artillery compliments was all. Our line was more than three miles long, extending from the James River to Chester Station, on the Richmond and Petersburgh Railroad. There was only one road on which it was possible for cavalry and artillery to operate, and that was the turnpike before spoken of, which was a little to the left of the centre of our line. The country on each side of the pike is thickly wooded and rolling, and with alternate swamps and interlaced undergrowth, making it almost impracticable for infantry operations.

The day was one of the most disagreeable that was ever experienced. A spiteful and persistent rain fell all day, striking against one with the force of hail, and keeping every man in the command in a condition of cold, soggy discomfort throughout the day. Mark Tapley would have been rejoiced with the occasion and its incidents, and there were really a great many professedly jolly people seen, although I must be permitted to doubt whether they expressed their real sentiments.

The engagement began at about 9 o'clock by a smart action between a section of BELGER'S battery of the First Rhode Island Artillery and a rebel battery, both of which were posted on commanding ridges of the turnpike. The gallant BELGER succeeded in driving the rebels back, losing in the attempt one killed and five wounded. There was a cessation of hostilities until 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time our line of battle was formed, and our skirmishers pressed forward, driving that of the enemy slowly before them beyond a creek called Proctor's Run, and at nightfall our pickets held the banks of this stream.

There were three divisions of our troops in line, namely, TURNER'S, of the Tenth Corps, on the right, resting on the river; WEITZEL'S, of the Eighteenth Corps, in the centre, and BROOKS', of the Eighteenth, on the left, resting on the railroad. TERRY, with the First Division of the Tenth Corps, was massed on the left ready for a flank movement if necessary. The enemy were discovered in front of WEITZEL'S division in strong force. Prisoners tell us that the rebels were reinforced night before last by HOKE'S North Carolina Brigade, which bivouacked on the very ground which we now occupy. Indeed the house of Mr. PERON, within a stone's throw of Gen. SMITH'S headquarters, in the woods where I write, was occupied until yesterday morning by HOKE himself.

A rebel courier was captured on the turnpike yesterday morning. He left Petersburgh at 7 o'clock A. M. with a dispatch from BEAUREGARD to Gen. HOKE, informing him that he must hold "the line designated," and that he would be up in the evening to aid him. To-day, therefore, we expect to contend against Mr. BEAUREGARD in person.

Among the incidents of yesterday's fight I heard that Capt. HOYT, of Gen. BURNHAM'S Staff, had two horses killed under him in the afternoon, himself on both occasions escaping unhurt.

Capt. WEST, of Gen. SMITH'S Staff, set fire to and destroyed a rebel schooner in the James River, to which a torpedo was attached. The vessel was of no use to us and might have been to the enemy. WEST is a gallant fellow, always ready for hazardous enterprises.

Our demonstrations yesterday allowed Gen. KAUTZ with his cavalry force to start across the country to destroy the Richmond and Danville Road in the rear of Richmond, and if he is successful he will break the only remaining link of connection between the rebels in Virginia and the South.

The fight on Tuesday last, in which a portion of Gen. TERRY'S division of the Tenth Corps was engaged, was a very stubborn one. The enemy outnumbered him vastly, and charged upon his position repeatedly with their fierce "Yi, yi" yell. They were gallantly repulsed on each occasion, although at one stage of the fight there was great danger that our flank would be turned. The woods on both sides of the turnpike in front of the ridge, which TERRY selected for his fight, was set on fire by the shelling, and some of the wounded perished in the flames. Our loss in killed and wounded was heavy, footing up more than 300. The rebel loss was far greater—estimated at 600 to 700. They asked and received permission to remove their wounded and bury their dead. Riding over the field yesterday, I saw many of the rebels unburied and in the most shocking condition from the effects of the flames. Every particle of clothing was burnt from them, and some had made shallow trenches around themselves by drawing in toward them the dry leaves which fed the fire—done evidently to prolong their lives as long as possible.

Dr. SUCKLEY, Medical Director of the Eighteenth Corps, was with me during this memorable race. He says that in his wide experience he never saw such horrible incidents of a battle-field.

The troops last night made themselves as comfortable as the rain permitted. This morning they are ready to renew operations. We feel perfectly secure here.

H. J. W.

Following is a partial list of the casualties in the Eighteenth Corps:

EIGHTEETH CORPS.

Wounded.

Sylvester Eastbrook Battery F, 1st R. 1. Artillery.
John H. Laymeson, Co. B, 148th New-York.
Samuel C. Davis, Co. E, 10th New-Hampshire.
James Horton, Co. E, 10th New-Hampshire.
F. B. Macomber, Bat. F, 1st Rhode Island Artillery.
1st Lieut. And. W. Dow, Co. A, 10th New-Hampshire.
Sergt. Henry F. Haines, Co. E, 10th New-Hampshire.
Joseph Cole, Co. H, 10th N. Hampshire.
Sergt. D. R. Copperwaith, Co. E, 9th New-York.
John F. Kuss, Co. E, 10th New-Hampshire.
J. Fraser, Co H, 10th N. H.
George R. Emerson, Co. H, 10th New-Hampshire.
Octavius Chapin, Co. F, 10th New-Hampshire.
Edward Anderson, Co. E, 148th New-York.
James Mooney, Co. D, 13th New-Hampshire.
O. Daly, Co. E, 148th N. Y.
Andrew Foley, Co. F, 10th New Hampshire.
Geo. F. Hosmer, Co. A, 13th New-Hampshire—killed.
William E. Holman, Co. A, 25th Alabama—killed.

LIST OF KILLED AND WOUNDED OF THE SIXTY-SIXTH N. Y. S. V.

Corp. Adolph Pincus, Co. C—head.
Corp. Jacob Hines, Co. K—arm.
Patrick Ryan, Co. C—hand.
Corp. Peter Wagner, Co. C thigh.
Corp. Wm. Wichtenstien, Co. I—killed.
Jos. Allen, Co. H—shoulder.
J. Minich, Co. C—hip.
Corp. Wm. Otis, Co. F—abdomen.
Geo. Cook, Co. E—head.
John Harris, Co. D—hand.
Serg. Wm. Armstrong, Co D—hand.
Serg. W. Woods, Co. B—leg.
E. Winterhalter, Co. K—foot.
Jacob Hess, Co. K—arm, amputated.
—— Riley, Co. B—hip.
Serg. Carmichel, Co. B—killed.
Serg. Wilson, Co. G—foot.
S. White, Co. E—arm.
H. Ringer, Co. F—leg.
Sergt. Frederick Smith, Co. K—killed.
Henry McMahon, Co. H—hand.
Corp. Conrad Weisman, Co C—hand.
Corp. John Grettinberger, Co. G—hand.
J. Banman, Co. E—hand
Robt. Fuller, Co. I—arm.
Serg. Jas. Qualgen, Co. F—face.
Pat. Murphy, Co. I—ankle.
Robert Roolman, Co. K—shoulder.
J. Keenan, Co. D—shoulder.
T. Gibson, Co. G—hand.
G. Thiemes, Co. K—shoulder.
Serg. Shein, Co. I—killed.
John Kane, Co. H—shoulder.
Capt. Strickland, Co. B—arm, flesh wound.
Capt. Gosee, Co. E—leg, flesh wound.
Lieut. Johnson, Adjutant—breast, flesh wound.

W. J. MCDERMOTT, Surgeon,
Sixty-sixth Regiment N. Y. V.

An Arrival from Fortress Monroe—Butler Laying Regular Siege to Fort Darling—The Miners and Sappers at Work.

The steamer *Charles Thomas*, from Fortress Monroe on Sunday, arrived here yesterday afternoon, bringing fifty wounded men, in charge of Sergt. HOPPIN, of SERRELL'S Engineers, most of the wounded belonged to that regiment. Sergt. OTIS, of that regiment, was left wounded at Fortress Monroe. *He was wounded in a sap within three hundred yards of the Fort*, which was being rapidly constructed, and would soon reach the base of the fortification. The general feeling was that the siege, under the energetic and skillful supervision of SMITH and GILLMORE, would be very short and successful. Among the passengers by the *Thomas*, were four of DAHLGREN'S men, who had escaped from prison and finally reached our lines, after having been concealed a week in Richmond. One hundred and eighty-seven prisoners arrived from Bermuda Hundred on Thursday. A Major who was captured says BEAUREGARD has three weeks' provisions for *their* army, which would not be three days for ours. He says BUTLER has BEAUREGARD fastened in Petersburgh in such a manner that he can't help LEE, nor do much damage to *any one else*.

FROM THE SOUTH.

Interesting Rebel Reports—Jeb. Stewart Certainly Dead.

The steamer *Thomas Collier*, has arrived from Newbern, with Chief Quartermaster WEBSTER, on board, who reports all quiet there.

The Richmond *Examiner* of the 12th, has the following:

"MERIDIAN, Monday, May 9.

"STERLE'S army, 9,000 strong, surrendered to Gen. DICK TAYLOR at Camden on the 28th ult.

"Gen. FRICK had demanded the surrender of Alexandria."

[This is entirely false.—ED. TIMES.]

"GOLDSBORO, N. C., Monday, May 9.

"The expedition to Newbern returned on Saturday. It captured 63 men."

"There were twenty-nine Yankee prisoners in the Libby Prison on the 11th inst."

The Richmond *Dispatch*, of the 14th, says that Gen. J. E. B. STUART'S funeral occurred on the 15th in Richmond.

The *Dispatch* also has the following:

"The enemy has taken possession of the road leading to Louisa Court-house. The telegraph wires are all cut down to LEE'S army, and intelligence is received by a very circuitous route. The following is the latest from the front:

The enemy came out of their earthworks at daylight and attacked our right wing. Our artillery opened on the enemy, driving him back to the fortifications with heavy loss. Our loss was slight, being under cover. No officers were killed in the last engagement."

FROM THE POTOMAC FLOTILLA.

The Rebels Endeavoring to Place Torpedoes in the Rappahannock and Piankatank Rivers—Ten of them Found.

WASHINGTON, Monday, May 16.

On the afternoon of the 11th instant, Commander PARKER, of the Potomac flotilla, received information that a party of rebels were engaged in placing torpedoes in the Rappahannock and Piankatank Rivers, to blow up our boats.

He immediately ordered up an expedition to thwart their purposes.

Col. DRAPER, of the camp at Point Lookout, was asked to coöperate, and immediately consented to go himself, and took with him about 300 colored troops from the camp, who embarked on the same night.

The troops were landed, with 36 seamen, under the command of Capt. STERRY, with boat-howitzers and grappling-hooks, and scoured the Rappahannock and Piankatank Rivers and Mobjack Bay pretty thoroughly.

The boats explored the Rappahannock as high up as Urbana, and the whole length of the Piankatank, and succeeded in finding four which were exploded, sending the water up in huge jets. The six others were got out of the river unharmed.

The torpedoes were made of tin cases filled with powder, and were to have been exploded by a percussion cap, a tarred string leading to the shore being arranged to set the cap off. The amount of powder in them varied from 30 to 60 pounds.

Some of those who were engaged in fixing the infernal machines were seen from the shore, and our troops pursued them some distance, encountering some 200 rebel troops, who were there to watch the party fixing the torpedoes, when a little skirmishing ensued, resulting in the killing of ten rebels, the wounding of a number of others, and the capture of twenty prisoners.

The colored troops are said to have behaved with great gallantry.

The leader of the torpedo party, Acting Master MAXWELL, of the Confederate Navy, a notorious raider, who had hitherto given much trouble, was killed while attempting to escape by swimming the creek.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE N. Y. TIMES.

WASHINGTON, Monday, May 16.

THE STRENGTH OF THE REBEL ARMIES.

A gentleman recently returned from the scene of SHERMAN'S operations in Georgia, whose statement can be relied on, furnishes the following information relative to the strength of the rebel armies: LEE'S army, he says, is greatly underestimated, and that there are now nearly 200,000 veterans in the rebel service. The last conscription added to their ranks nearly 75,000 conscripts, many of whom are either boys or old men, and all of whom will be either in the hospital or in the field in less than three months. The troops west of the Mississippi, and sick and wounded, he estimates at 50,000 more, thus making the total strength of the rebel army 375,000 men. The force at Charleston he believes to be less than 4,000 men, and that LEE and JOHNSTON'S forces united will amount to 230,000 men, and of this force LEE he believes to have fully two-thirds.

REVISION OF TARIFF.

At a protracted session of Ways and Means Committee to-day, during which the question of revising the new tariff was considered, the determination was arrived at to recommend an increase of not exceeding thirty per cent. on the average over the old schedule. The committee will report last of next week.

TAXATION.

The Senate Finance Committee amused itself today grinding out the hand-organ tune of *taxation*. Stockbrokers of the leading Eastern cities whined piteously for leniency at the hands of the committee, backed by a fierce lobby of whisky, petroleum and tobacco speculators. While the whole country demands immediate taxation, as a measure of business safety, Congress dallies away time, listening to windy speeches of paid agents, representing special speculative interests.

NOMINATIONS.

A large number of nominations for various military grades, from Generals down, sent in by the President some time since to the Senate, were taken up the Military Committee to-day for final disposition. The exigencies of the service require that immediate action be had upon them.

DEPARTURE OF GEN. MCDOWELL.

Gen. MCDOWELL will leave here to-morrow for San Francisco, to assume command of Department Pacific.

ORANGE AND ALEXANDRIA RAILROAD.

Trains passed over the Orange and Alexandria Railroad, Saturday, to Rappahannock Station; track in good condition. The outposts on that line extend to Bull Run. No guerrilla operations in that direction.

ARRIVAL OF WOUNDED.

Several thousand wounded arrived here to-day. It is said that a large number of our killed and wounded who fell in the first and second day's fight in the Wilderness have not yet been brought in.

DISPATCHES TO THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Monday, May 16.

CAPTURE OF THE REBEL SLOOP OSCAR.

The Navy Department has received information of the capture by the United States schooner *Fox* at sea, May 1, of the sloop *Oscar*, with a cargo of 93 bales of cotton. She had no papers or flag, which the Captain said he had thrown overboard. She was bound from St. Marks to Havana.

COL. FESSENDEN WOUNDED AND NOT KILLED.

Col. FESSENDEN, recently confirmed as Brigadier-General, was not killed, as reported, at Cane River.

Senator FESSENDEN was yesterday advised that his son was wounded, and had his leg amputated, and at last accounts was at New-Orleans.

THE TEN-FORTY LOAN.

The subscription to the ten-forty loan, reported at the Treasury Department to-day, amounted to $1,037,000.

THE BOLIVIA-CHILIAN DIFFICULTY.

The correspondence relative to the controversy between the Republic of Chili and Bolivia, communicated by the President to the Senate, shows that the Congress of Bolivia authorized the declaration of war against Chili, in case the conciliatory measures of diplomacy should not obtain the return of the usurped territory, or other pacific solution compatible with the national dignity. The suggestions from our Government of mediation is received in a kindly spirit, but the Chilian Secretary of Foreign Relations, writing to our Representative at Santiago, March 7, says that "the state of affairs has undergone no change whatever, favorable to mediation."

EUROPEAN NEWS.

Advices to May 5 by the Hecla and City of London.

The Pirate Georgia at Liverpool.

SHE IS TO BE DISMANTLED AND SOLD.

An Explanation Made to the French Government Regarding the Mexican Resolution.

THE DANISH COMPLICATIONS.

Threatened Anglo-French Naval Demonstration in the Baltic.

Sale of the Great Eastern to the French Government.

DEATH OF MEYERBEER, THE COMPOSER.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

The Inman steamer *City of London*, Capt. PATAIR, which left Liverpool at 4 P. M. on the 4th, and Queenstown on the 5th, arrived here yesterday.

The Cunard screw-steamer *Hecla*, which left Liverpool at 4 P. M. on the 3d, and Queenstown on the 4th of May, also arrived here yesterday.

The *City of Limerick* arrived at Liverpool on the morning of the 3d.

The *Peruvian* arrived off Londonderry at about 10 A. M. on the 3d.

The *Glasgow* arrived off Queenstown at 8:20 on the morning of the 4th.

AMERICAN TOPICS.

The Rebel Pirate Georgia—Her Arrival at Liverpool.

INTERESTING PARTICULARS OF HER EXPERIENCE.

From the Liverpool Courier, April 4.

The screw corvette *Georgia* is moored in a snug little bight at the Victoria Wharf, on the south side of the Great Float, at Birkenhead, about a mile from Woodside Ferry. The best mode of access for visitors from Liverpool is to go by one of the dock omnibuses which have recently commenced running from the ferry, for they pass within a couple of hundred yards of the vessel.

The *Georgia* and the side-wheel blockade-runner *Eugenie* are moored together, the latter occupying the quay berth, and both vessels are distinguishable at a distance by their display of the Confederate flag—white ensign, with red square in the upper corner, bearing a blue St. Andrew's cross, white-edged and dotted with white stars. Notwithstanding a want of knowledge of the precise spot where she was lying, and her comparative inaccessibility, the *Georgia* attracted a great number of visitors yesterday, among them many of the fair sex, whose proverbial love of a red coat is quite equaled on occasions by the tender admiration they can show for a blue jacket. This interesting feeling, however, is certainly not in this instance founded on color, for, although the crew of the *Georgia* have the traditional loose dress and free, manly bearing associated with a British "jolly Jack tar," the gentlemen who tread her quarterdeck, and receive visitors with so much politeness, are clothed in the sombre gray uniform which has been adopted in both the land and sea services of the Confederate States. A closer inspection of the vessel than could be obtained on Monday only serves to confirm the report of her intended dismantling, as being unfit for a war steamer. In addition to being simply an ordinary iron vessel, with poop and other deck-houses, her engines are on the sleeping principle, communicating with the screw shaft by multiplying gear, and being mainly above the sea level, and even some portions above the deck, are peculiarly liable to be damaged by an enemy's shot. In fact the *Georgia* was simply designed as a blockade runner, but the pressing necessities of the Confederate Government about the time of her construction, caused her to be snapped up eagerly for the purpose of ocean cruising in search of Federal prizes.

How scarce these are now, may be judged from the fact that during her last six weeks' cruise, the *Georgia* did not meet with a single ship carrying the Federal flag, although in one part of it, between Gibraltar and the Coast of Portugal, no less than 70 vessels were fallen in with and spoken. The cruise, however, was not considered altogether a failure. It had another purpose, besides looking for Federal prizes, the precise nature of which, of course, cannot be divulged. This purpose was partly accomplished, but, owing to certain diplomatic difficulties, could not be completely carried out, and the *Georgia* was therefore ordered to England.

After refitting at Cherbourg during the Winter, she sailed thence on the 16th of February, and her cruise terminated on the 25th of March, when she put into Bordeaux. During the 33 days that she was lying at Bordeaux, the Georgia proved a great attraction to the French people, and was inspected by many thousands, who were particularly curious—especially French officers—about her armament. These weapons are of English manufacture, by BLAKELEY and WHITWORTH. The 56-pounder is mounted as a swivel gun forward. It and the couple of 32s, which are carried inboard, aft of the engine-house, were manufactured on Capt. BLAKELEY'S patent, at the Low Moor Works. Two long, telescopic-looking Whitworth 12-pounders are mounted on the poop deck. These are said to be wonderfully accurate—under favorable circumstances, such as smooth water—at the extraordinary range of 5,000 yards. All the guns are rifled, and mounted on the patent carriages and traversing platforms of Messrs. FERGUSON & Co., of London. They are all muzzle-loaders, though the elevating screws, tabulated brass sights, brass breech-mountings, vent-holes, and other paraphernalia of modern finely-trained weapons, convey to many the idea that they are veritable breech-loaders.

The crew of the *Georgia* are to be paid off to-morrow, and in the evening her Commander, Lieut. EVANS, and his officers, are to be entertained at a banquet given by the Southern Club of this town, in their elegant and luxuriously fitted rooms, Brown's Buildings, Exchange.

A singular rencontre took place on board, yesterday afternoon. Amongst the visitors was Lieut. LOWE, C. S. N., formerly one of Capt. SEMMES' officers, and by him placed in command of the *Alabama's* sailing tender, the bark *Tuscaloosa*. Some time after the *Tuscaloosa* was seized by the British authorities at the Cape, in spite of the remonstrances of her Commander, Lieut. LOWE, left her for England, in order to lay his complaint before the Home Government; and by a curious mischance, on approaching the shores of this country, he met and passed the steamer which was taking out to the Cape the order for the *Tuscaloosa's* release. The greeting between himself and his brother officers, yesterday, was naturally a very cordial one. The last time they had met was in a very different quarter of the world—at one of the Brazilian ports, we believe—and each had tales to tell the other of hair-breadth escapes, perilous adventures, and prize-taking achievements.

Once the *Georgia* ran the narrowest chance of being captured by the Federal paddle-wheel iron-plated steamer *Vanderbilt*, which made such a fruitless chase of many thousand miles after the *Alabama*. The *Georgia* was going into Table Bay, or Simon's Bay, we forget which, when the *Vanderbilt* was coming out. Both vessels were in full sight of each other, and distant less than half a dozen miles. The officers of the *Georgia* recognized the *Vanderbilt*, but their own craft was unknown, and most fortunately for her too, for the *Vanderbilt* was of more substantial construction, far more heavily armed and of much greater speed, so that in the event of a chase the *Georgia's* only chance would have been to have run in toward the land, and thus seek the protection of being within the prescribed three miles of British territory.

On another occasion Lieut. LOWE, while with the *Tuscaloosa*, had heard that the Federal steam gunboat *Mohican* was "somewhere about," lying in wait for him, and he received a particular description of her rig and general appearance. Next day his masthead lookout reported a steamer in sight to leeward. The *Tuscaloosa* held on her course until her Com

meander was near enough to make out sufficient of the hull and rigging of the distant craft to find that he was pleasantly sailing into the very jaws of the *Mollican*. Of course, he immediately ran up in the wind and made as long a leg as possible, had the good fortune not to be observed, and having a handy, smart sailing craft under him, was soon out of sight and out of danger.

But an incident of the *Georgia*'s first cruise had almost a comic aspect. One afternoon she fell in with a sailing vessel, ran under her stern, and as usual hailed, "What ship is that?" "Ship so and so," answered the gallant Captain addressed, "and," added he, in Yankee fashion, "she sails under the free flag of the United States of America." All right," was shouted from the *Georgia*, "we'll send a boat aboard." A boat was sent, with an armed crew, and to the astonishment of the boastful Captain, the vessel was taken possession of as a prize to the Confederate Government. "Wa'al, by thunder! I guess you're the *Georgey*. I was boarded by the *Vanderbilt* at 9 o'clock this morning, overhauled fore and aft to see if I wasn't the —— *Tuscaloosa*, and now you've got me. Calc'late I'm about up the spout neow." He was taken on board the *Georgia*, treated with the greatest politeness, and assured that he really was "up the spout," so far as possession of his ship went.

These were some of the pleasant sea stories that enlivened the wardrobe mess on board the *Georgia*, yesterday afternoon.

A BANQUET—THE OFFICERS.

From the Manchester Guardian, May 4.

The members of the Liverpool Southern Club intend to entertain the officers of the *Georgia* at a banquet. The names of the officers are: Lieut.-Commanding W. E. Evans, of Alabama; Lieut. G. H. Ingram, South Carolina; Lieut. C. K. King, Virginia; Lieut. S.S. Lee, (nephew of Gen. Lee,) Virginia; John G. Walker, Master, South Carolina; Thomas J. Wheeden, Doctor; R. W. Curtis, Paymaster; James M. Morgan, midshipman; Cornelius Hunt, master's mate; Dunn, gupner.

With regard to the *Georgia* herself, she is now moored alongside the Victoria Wharf, Birkenhead, close to the spot where the *Alabama* was fitted out. On Monday evening Lieut. Evans addressed the crew, informing them that those who wanted leave of absence might go away for a short time, while those who wished to leave the ship altogether might do so at once, and would be paid off very few of the men, however, left the ship.

DISCUSSIONS IN PARLIAMENT.

THE FORGED DISPATCH.

In the House of Commons, May 2, Sir J. ELPHINSTONE asked the Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs whether her Majesty's Government had expressed any opinion on the circumstances of Mr. SEWARD having presented a document to Lord LYONS on the 23d of December last, which, on the 19th of March, he "felt bound" to tell him he had "just discovered" to be "a forgery;" and, whether her Majesty's Government communicated with the agents of the Confederate States in Europe on the subject, or with the Government of the Confederate States at Richmond, and with what result.

Mr. LAYARD replied that the Government had not expressed any opinion upon the communication from Mr. SEWARD. There was no agent of the Confederate States in this country to whom any question could have been addressed, and it was not usual to address questions to the agents of a Government not recognised abroad. Every endeavor had been made on the part of the Government to ascertain whether the document was authentic or not, and as soon as it was discovered to be a forgery the fact was mentioned by a noble Lord in another place.

Sir J. ELPHINSTONE inquired whether an agent was not dispatched from Havanna to the Confederate States, to communicate with the Government at Richmond, and was not permitted to pass through the blockade.

Mr. LAYARD said that was so; he was not able to enter the Confederate States.

Sir J. ELPHINSTONE then begged to ask whether an agent, being accredited by Her Majesty's Government and sent to communicate with the Confederate States, was not tantamount to acknowledging an Executive power in the Confederate States. [Cries of "No, No," and "Order."]

INTEREST ON OUR STATE DEBT.

From the London Times, (City Article,) May 4.

The intelligence from America to-day that the State of New-York has resolved, for the future, to pay the interest of its debt in the depreciated Government paper, instead of specie, has created apprehensions among the holders of the Federal Debt lest it may ultimately be their fate to meet similar treatment. The Legislature of New-York is composed, it may be presumed, of persons of respectability at least equal to that of the members of Congress at Washington, and as only a few weeks have elapsed since a distinct vote was adopted in the New-York Legislature reaffirming it to be the duty of the State to pay its interest in gold and this resolution has broken down immediately on a sudden rise in the premium, it is not unnatural that disquiet should be felt on the question as to the financial faith of the Federation, proving, in the long run, superior to that of its leading State. Should any default arise the chief suffering among foreign holders will be experienced in Germany, where, for two or three years past, the Federal bonds have constituted the favorite channel of investment.

GENERAL NEWS.

THE DANISH COMPLICATION.

THE RATENED ANGLO-FRENCH DEMONSTRATION IN THE BALTIC.

The British Channel fleet which had gone from Portland to the Downs still remained at the latter place on the 3d inst., although rumors had been current that they were under orders for the Baltic. It is stated that all officers had been ordered to join their vessels in the Downs forthwith. Lord CLARENCE PAGET stated in the House of Commons, on the 2d inst., that the fleet was ready to proceed to any part of the world at twenty-four hours' notice.

A rumor had been current that a French fleet was expected to join the British vessels in the Downs—but the *Moniteur* says, the statement needs confirmation, and that in any case it would be of a purely other character than that of a demonstration destined to support the demand for a suspension of hostilities.

On May 21 the British Channel squadron still remained in the Downs. It consists of seven powerful vessels and one steam gunboat.

Two Austrian frigates had left the Downs for the North.

THE CONFERENCE.

The Conference called for the 3d of May was postponed till the 4th, owing to the Princess of Wales holding a drawing-room on the 3d.

Plenipotentiaries attending the Conference announce that the second meeting would be on the afternoon of the 3d of May.

The papers were discussing the probability of a cessation of hostilities being agreed upon at the above meeting.

MILITARY OPERATIONS.

The news from the seat of war is unimportant.

The Prussians had occupied Rauders and Hebroe and held the whole of Jutland except that part north of Lyon Fiord.

In addition to their requisitions in Kind, the Prussians had imposed a contribution upon Jutland to the amount of £72,000 sterling, to be paid within 48 hours, and had sent some citizens to Prussia to be detained as hostages. The inhabitants refused to pay the demand.

THE MEXICAN QUESTION.

EXPLANATIONS FROM OUR GOVERNMENT TO THE EMPEROR NAPOLEON.

From the Paris Moniteur, May 1.

The Government of the Emperor *has received from that of the United States satisfactory explanations relative to the sense and bearing of the resolution passed by the House of Representatives at Washington with regard to Mexico.* It is known that the Washington Senate has indefinitely adjourned the consideration of the resolution, which, in any case, has not been sanctioned by the Executive power.

LATEST VIA CITY OF LONDON.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO QUEENSTOWN.]

LONDON, Thursday, May 5.

The bank raised the discount rate to-day to nine per cent.

Political news is unimportant.

No movement has been made in Denmark. The Conference yesterday accomplished nothing and adjourned till the 9th.

LIVERPOOL, Thursday, May 5.

The steamship *Virginia*, from New-York, arrived on the 4th.

LIVERPOOL MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL, Thursday, May 5.

COTTON—Sales to-day 8,000 bales, market closing dull. Quotations are barely maintained. Of the above sales speculators and exporters took 2,000 bales.

BREADSTUFFS—The market is quiet and steady.

PROVISIONS—The market is steady. Petroleum tends downward. Spirits Turpentine still declining.

LONDON, Thursday, May 5.

Consols for money, 90¾@90¾.

AMERICAN STOCKS—Illinois Central Shares, 26@24 discount; Erie Shares, 59@61.

LONDON MARKETS.

WHEAT firmer and generally 1s. ₱ quarter dearer. FLOUR unchanged. SUGAR dull and easier. COFFEE quiet. TEA unaltered. RICE quiet, but full rates asked. TALLOW dull and easier. LINSEED OIL, 39s. PETROLEUM, 2s. 3d.@2s. 4d. for Refined.

LONDON MONEY MARKET.

The demand for Money on the 3d of May continued uninterruptedly heavy, even at the advanced rate of 8 ₱ cent.—and in the open market as much as 9 ₱ cent. was frequently paid. It was thought that unless the pressure speedily subsided the Bank would further advance its rate to 9 ₱ cent.

The funds on the 3d were flat and lower. Consols for¶ ¾ ₱ cent., closing at 90⅝@90¾. On the 4th the flatness continued, and Consols were quoted at 90⅜@90¾.

Shares and other securities were all lower, the most marked exception being Confederate Loan, which advanced 4¾ ₱ cent. under the *Peruvian's* news, closing at 66@67.

The Bank of Prussia, on the 3d, raised its rate of discount to 5 ₱ cent.

American Securities very flat.

THE REBEL RAMS.

Important Debate in the British Parliament.

The Policy of the Government Reviewed by the Earl of Derby.

THE SEIZURE OF THE RAMS DENOUNCED.

REPLY OF EARL RUSSELL.

The Ground Upon Which Government Based its Action.

We take from the London *Times*, of April 30, the following report of the highly important debate regarding the seizure of the rams in the Mersey which transpired in the House of Lords on the preceding evening;

SPEECH OF THE EARL OF DERBY.

The Earl of Derby said—My Lords, early in the present session I asked the noble Earl, the Foreign Secretary, whether he would lay on the table a correspondence which had taken place between Her Majesty's Government and that of the United States—perhaps I might borrow the noble Earl's own phraseology, and say the "so-styled United States" [a laugh]—in regard to various matters of deep interest, and, among others, the construction of steam rams in the Mersey said to be intended for the Confederate States. The noble Earl informed me that there were objections to producing that correspondence, inasmuch as it might prejudice a legal question that would shortly arise. I yielded, I must confess, rather to the authority of the noble Earl's position than to his arguments. Soon after, a motion being made for the production of the same papers in the House of Commons, they were granted without hesitation by Her Majesty's Government. I then called on the noble Earl to explain the apparent diversity of opinion between himself and his colleagues. I am told that the objection to giving the papers was not his, but the Attorney-General's; and that the Attorney-General had since seen that his first impression was erroneous, and that mischief at least could make done to the extent he had apprehended. Now, I beg to enter my protest against that doctrine altogether. [Hear, hear.] We have here nothing to do with the Attorney-General. Those who are responsible for the production or withholding of documents connected the public service are not the law officers, whom, however, it is quite right that the Government should consult, but the Ministers of the Crown themselves. It is by no means a satisfactory answer to us that the Attorney-General has changed his mind on a point which rests within the discretion of the Government. Shortly afterward a motion was made in the House of Commons for the production of another correspondence—that between the Government and the Messrs. LAIRD on the subject of the steam rams. The question was urged very ably in the House of Commons, and was finally rejected by a majority not very large, but perhaps as large as Her Majesty's Government usually deem sufficient—a majority of 25. The refusal of the papers was based on the ground that their production would be prejudicial to the public service. As in the former case the first class of papers had been laid before Congress, and therefore was open to the examination of any one, so in the second case the whole of the papers are in the possession of one of the parties, by whom they have been published. I hold the correspondence in my hand. I can assure your Lordships it is quite genuine; it is neither tampered nor forged; it is entire, and has not been garbled or mutilated. It is the whole correspondence between the two parties; consequently, if I now move for the formal production of that correspondence, I must confess that the answer which the noble Earl may give us is a matter of comparative indifference, because I make my motion for the purpose of commenting on the papers as I go on, having them in my hand, and being able to compare them with the documents laid on the table of the House, by which a very considerable amount of light is thrown upon what hitherto has been a very partial disclosure of facts. I am afraid, my Lords, in bringing this question before you, that it will be necessary to trespass on your patience for a considerable time, and that I shall have to call your attention to a number of quotations from the printed documents, and to the respective dates attached to them. At the outset I must express the conviction, in which I believe I am not at all singular, that this correspondence discloses, on the part of the Messrs. LAIRD, the most unlimited frankness and openness, the most complete desire to meet the reasonable and even the unreasonable demands of the Government, a perfect alacrity to satisfy the Government on every point on which they are asked to give an explanation, all entire absence of all concealment, and a very ready, if not cheerful, submission to consequences which they must have felt to be very hard. [Hear, hear.] On the other hand, I have come to the painful conclusion that on the part of the Government the correspondence has been of a character most unusual, most vexatious, most arbitrary, and I will even go the length to say illegal. [Hear, hear.] Who are the gentlemen with whom the correspondence has been carried on? They are young men now conducting one of the most extensive shipbuilding establishments in the country—a firm of the highest possible reputation, and personally of unimpeachable integrity and character. As to their works, I may mention that at this moment they are engaged in building for Her Majesty's Government a most powerful iron-plated steam frigate. The father of these young men for many years conducted the same business, and during that time constructed numerous vessels for our own and other Governments. Unfortunately for him, perhaps, he entertained strong Conservative opinions. Perhaps more unfortunately still it was his desire to have an opportunity of giving effect to these opinions by obtaining a seat in Parliament; and most unfortunate of all, having, for the purpose of entering Parliament, transferred his business to his sons in order to divest himself from any objection in being a contractor, such was the respect and esteem in which he was held in his neighborhood that he was elected the first representative of the newly-constituted and important borough of Birkenhead, in opposition to a gentleman of great local influence, and a strong supporter of Her Majesty's Government. It is not necessary for me to call attention to any document in the correspondence earlier than the first of September, except to point out that as far back as the 7th of August the United States Consul at Liverpool informed Mr. ADAMS that one of the rams had her masts up, her boilers and machinery in, and might be got ready for sea in a week's time. On the 3d of September the same Consul wrote to Mr. ADAMS that the ram was taking coal on board, and that she might go to sea at any time. If not detained, Mr. ADAMS, of course, accepted the report of his Consul, and made various representations on the subject to the noble Earl opposite, on the 11th, 16th, and 25th of July, and again on the 14th of August. To none of these doss the noble Earl appear to have given any answer till the 1st of September. During the whole of that interval he was carefully, elaborately investigating the matter, and endeavoring to ascertain whether there was a scrap of evidence which would justify him in detaining the vessel. The noble Earl then came to the following conclusions:

"Whatever suspicion may be entertained by the United States Consul at Liverpool as to the ultimate destination of these vessels, the fact remains that M. BRAVAY, a French merchant residing at Paris, who is represented to be the person upon whose orders these ships have been built, has personally appeared, and has acted in that character at Liverpool. There is no legal evidence against M. BRAVAY's claim, nor anything to affect him with any illegal act or purpose; and the responsible agent of the customs at Liverpool affirms his belief that these vessels have not been built for the Confederates. Under these circumstances, and having regard to the entire insufficiency of the depositions to prove any infraction of the law, Her Majesty's Government are advised that they cannot interfere in any way with these vessels. * * But I am sure you will be disposed, in justice to Her Majesty's Government, to admit that in the absence of all evidence, upon mere hearsay, surmise, conversation, and conjecture, Her Majesty's Government could not properly direct a prosecution or action under the Foreign Enlistment Act. A court of justice would never condemn in the absence of evidence, and the Government would be justly blamed for acting in defiance of the principles of law and justice long recognized and established in this country.

Mr. ADAMS, on the 3d of Semptember; wrote a more pressing letter, which appears not to have reached the Foreign Office till the 4th. On the 4th of September the noble Earl informed Mr. ADAMS that these matters were under the consideration of the Government. Some discussion has already taken place as to the time when the directions were issued, and how far they were or are to be attributed to the representations, couched in strong language, of Mr. ADAMS; and I can only account for the singular involution of dates about this period by imagining that the noble Earl about that time assumed a sort of double character, and that his mythical and epistolary form was in Downing-street, but that his physical and bodily part was, during the whole of September, in Scotland, where he was delighting and astonishing the world in general and his own political supporters by making some astonishing revelations of his foreign and domestic policy to the inhabitants of Dundee and Blairgowrie. [Laughter.] But the noble Earl must have been misunderstood to have stated that Mr. ADAMS' letter had no influence on him, because the decision to detain the vessels was taken before Mr. ADAMS' communication reached him; for I find that the determination to detain the rams was not come to till the 5th of September, on which day the letter of Mr. ADAMS was received. At the same time, I am willing to admit that in all probability the last letter of Mr. ADAMS had no influence on the decision of the Government. On the 5th of September Mr. LAYARD wrote to Mr. STUART—

"We have given orders to the Commissioners of Customs at Liverpool to prevent the two iron-clads leaving the Mersey. These orders had scarcely been sent when we received the note from Mr. ADAMS of which I send you a copy. Mr. ADAMS is not yet aware that orders have been given to stop the vessels; you may inform Mr. SEWARD confidentially of the fact."

That decision was come to, then, on the 5th of September, and no communication of it appears to have been made to Mr. ADAMS, to whom it was most important to have the earliest information, until the 8th, though his Government was confidentially informed by a dispatch on the 5th, that that decision had been come to. I think it unfortunate that that delay should have taken place, because if a communication of it had been made to Mr. ADAMS on the 5th, it might have induced him very considerably to modify the language of the dispatch which on that day he addressed to Her Majesty's Government. On the 8th of September Mr. ADAMS had communicated to him the determination of the Government, and on the 9th he acknowledged the receipt, stating that he will have great pleasure in transmitting the letter for the information of his Government. One would have thought that the matter was then closed, and that any further unpleasant correspondence would have been avoided, but the noble Earl's epistolary *penchant* was too strong for him, [a laugh,] and, after the matter had been closed to the entire satisfaction of Mr. ADAMS, the noble Earl could not help entering into a further correspondence, leading to replies and rejoinders, which lasted all through September, and was not finally closed until October. [Hear, hear, and laughter.] Now, I think Mr. ADAMS was hardly dealt with in not having earlier information of the determination of the Government. Other persons also hardly dealt with were the builders of the vessels, Messrs. LAIRD, who had no information of the fact of their detention, except by a letter dated the 9th. In the meantime, a correspondence was passing between the Government and Messrs. LAIRD. On the 4th of September, Messrs. LAIRD wrote to the Collector of Customs at Liverpool:

"As the many rumors afloat in respect to the two iron steam rams built by us, and now lying in our docks, have induced frequent and unusual visits of Mr. MORGAN, the Surveyor of Customs, to our works, we are desirous of saving you any further unnecessary trouble about these vessels by giving you our promise that they shall not leave the port without your having a week's notice of our intention to deliver them over to the owners, and we shall inform the owners of this engagement on our part. [Hear, hear.] We may add that the first vessel will not be ready for a month, and the second for six or seven weeks from this date."

In the meantime the Collector of Customs thanks Messrs. LAIRD for the communication, which, he feels certain, will be highly satisfactory to the Board of Customs; and I here take the opportunity of saying that throughout the whole of this correspondence all those who had to deal with these gentlemen—the authorities of the Customs, Capt. INGLEFIELD, Admiral DACRES—one and all express the strongest language their entire and absolute reliance on the good faith of the Messrs. LAIRD. [Cheers.] Messrs. LAIRD, against whom no suspicion of bad faith can be entertained, on the 4th of September promise to give a week's notice of their intention to deliver the two iron steam rams to the owners. Messrs. LAIRD were not disposed to withhold information, and the vessels were open to public inspection for months. On the 5th of September Messrs. LAIRD, in reply to a communication from the Foreign office, wrote:

"That, although it is not usual for shipbuilders to declare the names of parties for whom they are building vessels until the vessels are completed and the owners have taken possession, yet, in this particular case, in consequence of the many rumors afloat, coupled with the repeated visits of Mr. MORGAN, the Surveyor of Customs, to our works, we thought it right to ask permission of the parties on whose account we are building the vessels to give their names to the English Government, in the event of such information being asked for officially in writing. They at once granted us the permission we sought for. We therefore beg to inform you that the firm on whose account we are building the vessels is A. BRAVAY & Co., and that their address is No. 6 Rue de Londres, Paris, and that our engagement is to deliver the vessels to them in the port of Liverpool when they are completed, according to our contract. The time in which we expect to have the first vessel so completed is not less than one month from this date, and the second not less than six weeks from this date."

It occurred to me that possibly it might be said that the arrangement to deliver the vessels in the port of Liverpool might appear a questionable matter, and I asked whether that was the usual arrangement, and I was informed by Mr. LAIRD, the father of the Messrs. LAIRD, that he had built fifty vessel for the English, Indian, and foreign Governments, and that invariably his contract was, unless when he had been requested to do otherwise by the English Government, to deliver the vessels in the port of Liverpool. Therefore, there was nothing unusual in that proceeding. Not satisfied with having received that information from Messrs. LAIRD Her Majesty's Government directed the naval attaché to the embassy at Paris to wait on Mr. BRAVY, who showed him the whole of the documents connected with the transaction, and allowed him to inspect the books and examine the papers. The naval attaché expressed himself perfectly satisfied with the *bonâ fide* ownership of the vessels by M. BRAVAY, and so reported to Her Majesty's Government. [Cheers.] So satisfied were Her Majesty's Government on this point that at the close of the month of November they directed the attaché to treat with M. BRAVAY for the purchase of the vessels. In this state matters remained, except that on the 8th of September Messrs. LAIRD wrote to the Collector of Customs at Liverpool, stating that it was their intention to take one of the ironclads—the *El Tousson*—from their graving dock for a trial-trip on the Monday next within the usual limits of such trial trips. They stated that the Collector might rely on their bringing the vessel into the Birkenhead Float when the trial trip was finished, it being their intention to complete the vessel in the Birkenhead Float. The trial, they added, was necessary to test the machinery and other parts, but would not alter the time previously stated for the completion of the vessel. This was at a time when Her Majesty's Government had already determined to seize the vessels, and before Messrs. LAIRD were aware of that determination. [Hear.] Messrs. LAIRD received the information on the following day that the Collector of Customs at Liverpool could not allow the trial trip to take place without the leave of Her Majesty's Government. That was on the 11th; but on the 12th the Collector of Customs at Liverpool received a communication for Messrs. LAIRD conveying the sanction of Her Majesty's Government for the trial trip in these words:

"The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury will allow the trial trip to be made by the vessel referred to in your letter of the 8th inst., relying upon the honorable engagement which has been given by you that the ship shall, after the said trial trip, be brought back again to Liverpool, and shall not leave that port without a week's notice to Her Majesty's Government of the intention to send her away."

But in the meantime a letter had been already received by Messrs. LAIRD, from the Secretary of the Treasury, informing them that:

"The two iron-clad steamers now in course of completion in your yard at Birkenhead are not to be permitted to leave the Mersey until satisfactory evidence can be given of their destination, or at least until the inquiries which are now being prosecuted with a view to obtain such evidence shall have been brought to a conclusion."

I must pause here for a single moment, because I consider this a matter of the greatest possible importance. I hold that no one in this House, whether lawyer or layman, can maintain that the instruction to detain the vessels in the Mersey until Her Majesty's Government should obtain satisfactory evidence of their intended destination, or until the inquiries which were being prosecuted to obtain such evidence should be brought to a conclusion, was not a proceeding utterly unwarranted by law, and one for which there was not the slightest justification. [Hear, hear.] I could understand the seizure of those vessels with sufficient evidence of whatever cause assigned, whether or not under a charge of having violated the Foreign Enlistment Act, because such a seizure would be on the necessity of not making coming to trial, and would give the parties accused an opportunity of coming forward to vindicate their conduct; but detention until such time as Her Majesty's Government were satisfied of the guilt or innocence of the owners appears to me inconsistent with the first principles of English law and justice. [Hear, hear.] You are not to call upon a person to prove his innocence; you are to prove his guilt, and not to throw upon the defence the onus of showing that he was not engaged in anything illegal. [Hear, hear.] What was the natural reply of the Messrs. LAIRD? It was, in effect, this: "We have given you the name of the owner, and forwarded a copy of your letter to Messrs. BRAVAY. As to what Messrs. BRAVAY are going to do with the vessels when they have received them it is not for us to inquire." [Hear hear.] I submit that was a very proper answer; but to say that you will detain the vessels in the Mersey until you have made inquiries, no matter what time it may take you, whether nine, ten or twelve months—in fact, nobody knows how long—is to my mind a proceeding not consonant with law or justice. [Hear, hear.] And the Attorney General was obliged to admit that that was a course taken upon the responsibility of Her Majesty's Government, for the purpose of preventing and anticipating an evasion of the law. [Hear, hear.] "Well, then," said my hon. and learned friend Sir R. CAIRNS, "the answer on the part of Her Majesty's Government is, 'We have violated the law for the purpose of vindicating the law.'" [Hear, hear.] It is impossible to put the matter more tersely and more distinctly, [hear,] and I venture to say that no lawyer in this House will take upon himself to say that Her Majesty's Government were justified in detaining the vessels without cause shown and for an indefinite period. [Hear.] Well, on the 17th of September, as I have already said, permission was given to go on the trial trip, which hardly extended beyond the limits of the port of Liverpool, and was not outside the lightship at the mouth of the harbor, and if Messrs. LAIRD had any sinister intention they would have had no difficulty in going out, with the full permission of Her Majesty's Government, and evading the law. But a change came over the spirit of the dream of the noble Earl very rapidly, almost as rapidly as the sudden influx of evidence which took place between the 1st and the 3d of September; for on the 19th, two days after the sanction for the trial trip had been received, the Messrs. LAIRD were informed by the Secretary to the Treasury as follows:

"I am now commanded by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to inform you, that since that permission was given circumstances have come to the knowledge of Her Majesty's Government which give rise to an apprehension than an attempt may be made to seize the vessel in question while on her trial trip. I am to state to you explicitly, that Her Majesty's Government are convinced that it is your intention, as far as it is in your power, to fulfill honorably the engagement into which you have entered; and that if any such attempt were made, it would be entirely without the privity of your firm, in whose good faith they place perfect confidence. Inasmuch, however, as such an occurrence, in whatever method it may be brought about, would be contrary to the determination expressed by Her Majesty's Government that the iron-clad vessels should be prevented from leaving any part of Liverpool until satisfactory evidence may be given as to their destination, I am to state to you that this board feel it their duty to apprise you that they cannot permit the trial trip except under provision against any forcible abduction of the vessels."

Was that forcible abduction to take place by a sudden rising of any portion of the crew who were to be put on board by Messrs. LAIRD, by their own handsmen who had been in their employ for years? or was it to be effected by any other vessels at the mouth of the Mersey making an attack upon this powerful ram, seizing her and carrying her off to sea? [Hear, hear.] And what was the time selected for such an attempt? It was the time of all others when the whole Channel Fleet was in the Mersey, [laughter;] when an unusually large population was crowding the river, who must have been witnesses, and could not be peaceable witnesses of any such attempt. [Hear, hear.] I happen to recollect the fact, because I had on Saturday, the 19th, the pleasure of receiving at Knowsley most of the officers of the squadron, and Admiral DACRES was to do me the honor of remaining with me on the Sunday in the hope of spending a quiet day. But he was lamentably disappointed, for over came a messenger to say that there was not a moment to lose, for that he was charged by Her Majesty's Government to take measures for preventing the escape of the steam rams. The gallant Admiral went over to Liverpool, and the first persons he called on were the Messrs. LAIRD, who acted towards him with the greatest possible openness and candor. I won't say what were the impressions of the gallant Admiral upon his return to Knowsley, but it occurred to me then, and it occurs to me now, that the gallant Admiral was sent on a fool's errand. [Hear, hear, and laughter.] But did the Messrs. LAIRD make any remonstrance? Not at all. On the 21st of September the Messrs. LAIRD wrote to the Government:

"We have the honor to reply to your letter of the 19th inst., (received and acknowledged yesterday,) informing us that circumstances have come to the knowledge of Her Majesty's Government giving rise to an apprehension that an attempt may be made to seize our iron-clad steam vessel on her trial trip, and stating that authority had been given to Admiral DACRES to place, with our concurrence, a sufficient force of seamen and marines on board her to defeat any such attempt. We are not ourselves aware of any circumstance to induce us to entertain any such apprehension, but we beg to thank Her Majesty's Government for the protection thus placed at our disposal, of which we shall gladly avail ourselves. Owing, however, to what you have brought under our notice, and the incomplete state of the vessel, and also the present crowded state of the River Mersey, it will be desirable to defer the trial trip for some days; and, in the meantime, we trust that Her Majesty's Government will be able to obtain further information as to any project that may exist to deprive us of our property." [Laughter.]

We see now the conditions upon which the 21st of September Her Majesty's Government were prepared to allow the trial trip, and they were prepared to allow it so late as the 29th of September, because the Government had been informed Mr. ADAMS that they had given permission under those engagements and with those precautions which have been described to make the trial trip. I hope your Lordships will bear these dates in mind, as they throw light upon the grounds upon which Her Majesty's Government took the very extraordinary steps of which I complain. On the 7th of October a further communication was made to Messrs. LAIRD in these terms:

"Understanding that the trial trip which has been the subject of former correspondence has been abandoned, I am directed by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to acquaint you that, from information which has been received, it has become necessary to take additional means for preventing any such attempt."

On what grounds it is assumed that the trial trip was abandoned I do not know. Is it because it was stated by the Messrs. LAIRD that it was desirable to postpone it until Her Majesty's Government should obtain further information as to the dangerous plot against their property? [A laugh.] But what were the additional means for preventing the attempt.

"Their Lordships have, therefore, given instructions that a Custom-house officer should be placed on board that vessel [laughter,] with full authority to seize her on behalf of the Crown in the event of any attempt being made to remove her from the float or dock where she is at present, unless under further directions from their Lordships; and likewise to obtain from the officer in command of Her Majesty's ship *Majestic* any protection which may become necessary to support him in the execution of this service. My Lords request to understand that these precautions are taken, not from any distrust of your intention to fulfill your engagement of giving a week's notice before the removal of the vessel, nor with the view of interfering in any way with your workmen in the completion of her, but exclusively for the purpose of preventing an attempt which may be made by other parties to nullify our engagement. Although we are not aware of any circumstances to induce us to entertain any apprehension of any attempt being made to deprive us of our property by force, we gladly avail ourselves of any protection Her Majesty's Government may think necessary for its security. The vessel is still far from being ready for sea, and it has been very much retarded by the excessively wet weather, that it will be some weeks before she is finally completed."

Not satisfied with what they had done, the Government, on the 9th of October, wrote to say:

"In consequence of information that has been received by Her Majesty's Government as to the probability of a forcible abduction of one or both of the iron-clad vessels in course of completion in the Float at Birkenhead, their lordships have felt it their duty to order the seizure of both these vessels, and have issued the necessary directions to the Commissioners of Customs accordingly."

The Messrs. LAIRD replied:

"We have made the fullest inquiry, and have not been able to ascertain any circumstance to induce us to apprehend the probability of a forcible abduction of one or both of the iron-clad vessels in course of completion by us at Birkenhead—one, the *El Tousson*, in the Great Float, the public dock, and the other, the *El Monnassir*, in our own dock, on our own premises. Both vessels are incomplete, and unfit for sea-going; the second vessel has not even got masts or funnel in, and both are in the sole charge of our own people. We believe, further, that if any such project as the forcible abduction of these vessels had ever been thought of, it could not successfully have been carried out in the port of Liverpool. Their lordships have so often assured us that they are convinced that it is our intention, so far as in our power lies, to fulfil honorably the engagement which we have entered into with Her Majesty's Government, and we have deferred making any formal protest against the seizure of these vessels, or the arbitrary and extraordinary measures that have been carried out in placing an armed force in charge. We can only suppose that their Lordships have been induced to act as they have done by some information, which will be found, on further investigation, to have been entirely erroneous or greatly exaggerated, and that they will, on the termination of the inquiries they have set on foot to investigate the case, feel justified in removing the vexatious restrictions they have placed upon our property, which have already caused and are still causing us an amount of loss and annoyance not easily estimated."

What was the position of this second vessel? She was a mere hulk, without masts, funnel, or steering apparatus. She was lying, not in the floating dock, but in the private yard of the Messrs. LAIRD, in which was secured by a caisson that blocked up the entrance. This could only be removed so as to allow the launching of the vessel with in an hour or so of high water. The vessel, further, could not be floated out of the dock unless the sluices were opened, the keys of which were in Messrs. LAIRD's custody. This was the state of things up to October 9. I will now ask your Lordships to bear with me—although I feel I am detaining you at undue length—[cheers]—while I endeavor to connect, by means of the Parliamentary papers, the extraordinary steps taken on the 16th of September, and again on the 7th and 9th of March. Here is a dispatch from Mr. ADAMS, dated the 24th of September, which will cast some light on the circumstances that threw the Government into this state of panic. Mr. ADAMS says:

"I am credibly informed that seventy or more of the men belonging to the insurgent vessel, the *Florida*, formerly the *Oreto*, nearly all of them British subjects, have been sent over from Brest, and are now in Liverpool. They were provided with a letter to the person acting on behalf of the insurgents at Liverpool, a copy of which is herewith transmitted. I need not point out to your Lordship the fact that the last sentence implies habitual action in direct violation of the law of the realm; such, indeed, as, if committed by any agent of the United States, would be likely to attract the immediate notice of Her Majesty's Government. It corroborates all the evidence here before presented by me on the same subject. I have further reason to believe that under this sentence I have further reason to believe that under this sentence I have further reason to believe that under this sentence

chart a similar document. In the first instance he says:

"I have the honor to transmit to your lordship an extract from the Washington newspaper *Star* of the 19th inst., containing what purports to be parts of a report of the Secretaries of the so-called Confederate Treasury and Navy. * * * The Secretary gives, moreover, particulars respecting contracts for building ironclad vessels for the Confederate service and France, and respecting the use to which those vessels were to be put."

A week afterward, having had time to obtain more full and perfect information, Lord LYONS says:

"MY LORD: I have the honor to inclose an extract from the NEW-YORK TIMES newspaper of yesterday, containing a complete copy of the report of the Secretary of the so-called Confederate Navy."

Mr. ADAMS only speaks of what purports to be a report, but he incloses it to the noble Lord. The noble Earl at once jumps at it—I think he will find that, to use Capt. SEMMES' expression, he has been "misled and entrapped," [hear, hear,] and writes to this effect:

"Her Majesty's Government have had under their consideration the representations contained in your letter of the 19th ultimo with regard to the alleged use of British territory for belligerent purposes by the Governments of the so-styled Confederate States, as shown in the report of the Confederate Secretary of the NAVY, Mr. MALLORY, of which you inclosed a copy."

The noble Earl is delighted to find that the document bears irrefragable proof of the cordiality and sincerity with which the duties of neutrality have been fulfilled, and goes on:

"Her Majesty's Government have already taken steps to make that Government aware that such proceedings cannot be tolerated, and Her Majesty's Government will not fail to give to these admissions, to which you have invited their attention, the consideration which they undoubtedly deserve." [Hear.]

As soon as this paper was made public all these persons who were best acquainted with the character of official documents in the United and Confederate States at once pronounced it to be a forgery, and not only a forgery, but a clumsy forgery, [hear, hear,] though it did take in Her Majesty's Government and Her Majesty's Attorney-General. It was clear to any one who knew the character of these reports that it was a clumsy forgery, because in the first place it was addressed, not to the President, as was invariably the custom, but, of all people in the world, to the Speaker of the House of Representatives. In the next place, it stated that no less than five rams had been ordered in England, whereas all that were ever heard of and assumed to be for the Confederate States were these two. Again, it entered into no detail whatsoever with regard to the internal management of the Navy Department, which, practically speaking, was the main object of the reports of the Secretary of the Navy; and, lastly, it gave information, as from the President, that these rams had been ordered by persons sent from Richmond in the early part of the year 1863. If that was so, the expedition displayed in their construction must have been something surprising and unheard of, because they were represented by the consul to be ready for sailing in the month of August, and if the agents sent from Richmond in the early part of the year arrived in England, looked about them, gave their orders, had them executed, and got these vessels launched and ready for sailing in the month of August, it is the most astounding fact in the shipbuilding that I ever heard of. From all these circumstances the alleged report was pronounced by gentlemen well acquainted with the subject to be a clumsy forgery. [Hear, hear.] The noble Earl, having received this information, was quite jubilant at the clear, indisputable, and unexpected proof which was thus furnished of the object with which these rams were being built, and at the certainty of obtaining a conviction. Had it not been for the production of this document, I do not believe that even although Parliament had met, the information would have been filed immediately after the 8th of February. When this information arrived not only was the noble Earl jubilant, but the Attorney-General was jubilant too. The Attorney-General in a discussion on the subject assumed it to be indisputable that the Government had in their possession facts and evidence which could leave no doubt whatever in the mind between them and the Confederate Government that the vessels in question were being built for the use of the latter. The information, I may add, was obtained on the 19th of January, and, after carefully examining the evidence, it was determined on the 5th of October to issue a commission to search for additional evidence in Egypt. It may be only a coincidence, but it is a very curious coincidence, that the date of the intention of the Government to file this information is, to a day, precisely the same as the date of the dispatch to which I have already referred, in which the noble earl stated that steps had already been taken for the purpose of remonstrating with the Confederate Government, and preventing, as far as possible, such outrages against the law. The noble earl issued orders on the strength of the document to which I have been alluding to Mr. CRAWFORD, to proceed from the Havannah on a mission to remonstrate with the Confederates on the atrocious violation of the law of neutrality of which they had been guilty. It was, however, I think, fortunate for the noble earl that Mr. CRAWFORD was not allowed to land, and that he was not permitted to make those remonstrances which I am mischievous enough, for my own part, to wish that he had been permitted to make. I wish to add a few words more before I release your lordships from the lengthened observations which I have felt it my duty to inflict upon you. I cannot consent to pass this matter over in the light and frivolous manner in which the noble Earl on a former occasion introduced it to your notice. At the close of a discussion in this House, not long ago, on our relations with America, the noble Earl subsided at the close of his speech into the quietest and gentlest tone, as if the point to which I am now particularly referring had no possible significance, and that the fact of his having discovered that this document was not a genuine document, but a hoax practiced upon the Government by some gentleman at New-York did not furnish the slightest ground for remonstrating with the Confederate Government. I certainly should have expected that the Foreign Minister of this country would not have treated the transaction in so light a tone, and should see it in no peril to the proper maintenance of diplomatic relations between different States. It is, in my opinion, no trifle that a document should be forged, and that it should be transmitted by the British Minister at Washington to the Secretary of State at home, and by the Federal Secretary to the representative of the United States in London, and made by him the ground of serious remonstrance with her Majesty's Government, without the most rigid investigation being made to ascertain that there did not exist the slightest doubt of their genuineness. [Hear, hear.] I cannot acquit even Lord LYONS of having displayed some credulity on the subject, because, being at Washington, and seeing the document in the newspapers, first in a garoted state and afterward in full, and being aware that the Richmond papers came constantly into Washington, and that no Southern papers had any account of it, I cannot conceive how he could have imagined it to be correct. Mr. ADAMS was instructed by his Government to make certain representations on the subject to her Majesty's Government; but that Mr. SEWARD, from whom those instructions emanated, could entertain any doubts as to the genuineness of the document, and should have deemed himself, as Secretary of State, justified on the faith of a paragraph in a newspaper in addressing friendly remonstrances of a most serious character to a foreign State without giving himself the trouble of finding out that which he might so easily have discovered, seems to me, I confess, somewhat extraordinary. [Hear, hear.] I do not go so far as some, and attribute to Mr. SEWARD himself the authorship of this document. [A laugh.] It first made its appearance in the *Star* of Washington, a very obscure paper, and being by that means transmitted to New-York, appeared in full length in the NEW-YORK TIMES, which is notoriously the organ of Mr. SEWARD himself. It was on the authority of that paper, at all events, that Mr. SEWARD transmitted the document with his remonstrances to the British Government, and he certainly could have no difficulty in sending to the editor of the paper and requesting to know where the document had been obtained, what was the authority for it, and who had given it circulation in his journal. The paper, in short, is under the control of Mr. SEWARD, and to say that he could not have obtained the information to which I refer is absurd. There is, therefore, no excuse for his conduct in sending over here the representations which he made founded on a newspaper paragraph. [Hear, hear.] I may, however, say, to the credit of one portion, at all events, of the United States press, that the Philadelphia *Age*, which I hold in my hand, deals with this transaction as I trust any Englishman would be disposed to do. It says, "We have always regarded Mr. ADAMS as a man of honor, but we have not, and never had, a good opinion of Mr. SEWARD." [A laugh.] It adds, "There is no excuse for thus counterfeiting history," and it asks the question, "What will English or French statesmen say of a man who, if innocent, seems willing to be gulled, and is ready, by any means, to obtain some temporary or paltry result?" "What," it goes on to say, "could be easier than to ascertain the genuineness of the Mallory report? But the person most to be pitied in connection with this grim joke is poor Lord LYONS. We trust for the credit of the Government, this most impudent fraud will be explained. * * * In diplomacy, truth is a good deal better weapon than falsehood." [Hear, hear.] I thought it but right to bring these statements under your lordship's notice, to show the light in which the matter is viewed by some persons in America, and I must express my disappointment that not even the last dispatch from Lord LYONS contains any expression of feeling with respect to the discreditable trick which was played on him. [Hear.] We do not even know up to the present moment whether an apology has been made to Her Majesty's Government for, to say the least of it, the credulity with which Mr. ADAMS and Mr. SEWARD have laid themselves open to be charged. [Hear, hear.] I have mentioned this subject because it is, in my opinion, one of deep importance, and because I look upon it as being closely connected with the papers which I have brought under the notice of the House; the delay in taking final proceedings in the case of the steam-rams, and the period at which it was determined that those proceedings should be taken. I have, I may say, in conclusion, brought forward this subject, not for the purpose of protecting the Messrs. LAIRD against any consequences to which they may be fairly liable, or entering into the question whether they have or have not been guilty of a violation of the provisions of the Foreign Enlistment Act. All I desire is that justice may be done. I have no wish that persons should be permitted to violate the law with impunity. I hope the noble Earl will continue in the same course which he says he has always adopted, of dealing with all parties with the utmost impartiality. I am anxious to see an equitable neutrality preserved between those who are engaged in the unhappy conflict raging on the other side of the Atlantic. But, while I entertain these views, I do not like to find legal proceedings unjustly and unnecessarily delayed, and I am desirous of seeing all Her Majesty's subjects enjoying the full benefit of that protection which the laws of the country were framed to confer. [Cheers.] I beg to move for the correspondence which took place between the Government and the Messrs. LAIRD.

EARL RUSSELL'S REPLY.

Earl RUSSELL—The noble Earl has not deemed it to be inconsistent with his duty to bring under your Lordship's notice a case which within a month from this time is to be tried in our courts of law, and I do not say that there may not be instances of oppression so aggravated that it may be right to bring before the House of Lords—the great tribunal of ultimate appeal from those courts—the preliminary proceedings connected with those cases. Such a course may be necessary in a case of notorious injustice, but I submit the noble Earl has made out no such case. [Hear, hear.] He has for nearly two hours engaged the attention of your Lordships; but I venture to say he has shown no case of illegality or oppression. [Hear, hear.] In treating this question, I must in defence of the Government make two observations, to which I request the assent of your Lordships. The first is, that your Lordships are desirous of maintaining relations of amity with the United States of America—a great, a powerful, a free State, with which for nearly eighty years, with the exception of the short interval from 1812 to 1815, we have held relations of peace, and with which it is our interest, our desire and our duty, if possible, to maintain those relations. [Hear, hear.] I am not, I hope, asking too much when I ask your Lordships to assent to that postulate. [Hear, hear.] The next remark I have to make is that the Messrs. LAIRD, whatever may be their politics—a point with which I have nothing to do—have no right to go to war with any Power in friendly relations with Her Majesty. [Cries of "Oh!" and cheers.] The power of going to war is one of the prerogatives of the Crown, and it is not a privilege of the Messrs. LAIRD, however respectable they may be as shipbuilders. Yet, I have no hesitation in saying that the Messrs. LAIRD had it in their power to commit this country in hostilities with the United States of America, and it was nothing but the vigilance of the Government—what the noble Earl describes as their over-vigilance—which prevented those repectable gentlemen from involving us in war with the Northern States. [Hear, hear.] In arguing this question I must state many things which the noble Earl, in his long and able speech, has entirely omitted, and the first of those matters is the existence of the Foreign Enlistment Act. The act, as your Lordships are aware, was passed in circumstances not very dissimilar to the present, when Spain was at war with her colonies, when this country had acknowledged the belligerent rights of those colonies, and when those colonies were endeavoring to procure aid from England in the shape of regiments, officers and ships fitted out for warlike purposes. In order to counteract the mischief which those attempts, if successful, might produce, the Government of the day proposed to Parliament and carried a bill, which is now the law of the land, known by the name of the Foreign Enlistment Act. The preamble of that act states as follows:

"*Whereas*, The enlistment or engagement of His Majesty's subjects to serve in war on foreign service without His Majesty's license, and the fitting out and equipping and arming of vessels by His Majesty's subjects for warlike operations on or against the dominions or territories of a foreign Prince may be prejudicial to and tend to endanger the peace and welfare of this kingdom."

I venture to submit there can hardly be a greater crime than in its effects that to do acts which endanger the peace and welfare of this country; in other words, which tend to put us into a state of war with a foreign country with which we are at amity, and which would bring upon us all the calamities which war never fails to produce. [Hear, hear.] But I shall give your lordships a more full description of the Foreign Enlistment Act, not taken from an authority favorable to the Government, but expressed in the language of a learned and able counsel who is arguing against our application of the act, and whose authority will hardly be disputed on the other side. Sir HUGH CAIRNS says:

"The intention of the act of Parliament was this, and this only, to prevent warlike expeditions leaving the ports of this country at a time when this country was neuter, issuing from this country in a shape and form in which they could do injury to either belligerent, and thereby enable one or the other of the belligerents to come to this country and say: 'Look at your port of Plymouth; there sailed out of that port on a certain day a ship fully armed, ready to capture any ship she might meet with. Your ports are being used as places of safety and shelter; armed vessels can sail out, or transports or ships can sail out, prepared to do all the mischief in war which a transport or storeship, or an armed vessel can do.' The belligerent Government would say: 'Observe the consequences; we cannot pursue these vessels into your ports; we cannot go into your ports to take out a privateer, and yet you allow a privateer to go armed from your ports at the same time that we cannot enter your ports to destroy that vessel.' I apprehend that that was a very intelligible and clear principle, if we find that that was the principle which was proceeded on."

That statement falls somewhat short of the case, because it speaks of vessels fully armed and going out on warlike expeditions; but it does not mention the arming, furnishing and fitting out of ships, which is likewise forbidden by the Foreign Enlistment Act. Before proceeding further, I must state to your Lordships that which is perfectly notorious. Much of it, has already been proved in Courts of law; and if other parts were not allowed to be proved in the *Alexandra* case, they are well known, and, indeed, have obtained a notoriety so great that they can no longer be concealed. I mean that the Confederate States of America—naturally enough, and not to be wondered at in an arduous attempt to establish independence—have sent agents to this country and to France, but more especially to this country, and that those agents were furnished with the means to have ships built here, in order that such expeditions as Sir HUGH CAIRNS refers to, and as are forbidden by our own law, should be undertaken against the United States—a Power with which we are at peace. This was proved in the case of the *Alexandra*. It was there shown that there was an office in Liverpool in which all these transactions were carried on. The learned Judge preventedt evidence being given as to what was the particular business transacted, and it was proved that a certain CUSTIS BULLOCK, to whom the noble Earl has himself referred, was the chief agent of the Confederate States at Liverpool, that he drew drafts for the payment of those persons who were serving the Confederate States, that he appointed an individual paymaster of the ship, afterward called the *Alabama*, and that, in short, he took upon himself all the functions of a regularly-authorized agent of a foreign power. I do not express any surprise at that, for it is not wonderful that the Confederate States, desirous to establish independence, and while engaged in a perilous war for that purpose, should endeavor by every means to hurt their enemies; but what I do feel surprise at, what I do feel regret at, is, that the provisions of the Foreign Enlistment Act, forbidding them to do any act against neutrality and the laws of nations, having been brought to the knowledge of all Her Majesty's subjects by proclamation, any of them should engage in these undertakings, contrary to their duty to the Crown, entirely forgetting their obligations to their own country, and careless whether or not they put us in a state of war with the United States. [Hear, hear.] Such appear to me to have been the character of the transactions in which those respectable gentlemen, the Messrs. LAIRD, the Messrs. MILLER, the Messrs. FRASER, and others, were engaged. *They have done everything in their power by fitting out ships, by engaging in contracts for supplying vessels of war to the other belligerent, to give the United States a just cause of war against this country.* [Hear.] *What I have been apprehensive of is giving the United States just cause of war.* It may be that, filled with unfounded suspicions or animated by unjust animosities, they may make war against this country. That may befall us or any other country; and, if it does, we must bear it, we must return blow by blow, and carry ourselves through the war as well as we can. But what, I confess, I do dread is that we should commit such acts that the United States Government can say truly, "You, professing to be neutral, are, in fact, at war with this country, and are carrying on hostilities against us under the guise of friendship and peace." The only thing with which I should be disposed to reproach myself in the present case is the degree of credulity with which I received the assurances that were made that the iron-clads were not intended for the Confederate States. The Collector of Customs at Liverpool, Mr. EDWARDS, said he believed it never was intended to use them for that purpose. The law officers, on his authority, took the same view. It was at first disposed to share that opinion, but evidence was poured in on me which there was no resisting, and I am convinced that the vessels were originally built for the Confederate States. [Hear.] These vessels are of themselves vessels of war. [Hear, hear.] There is no need to discuss how much they are equipped or armed, or how far those various things have been done which the learned Chief Baron in the Court of Exchequer proved out of *Webster's Dictionary*. All meant the same thing. These iron-clads have the build and construction of vessels-of-war which could be used to destroy the ships of the United States engaged in blockading the Southern ports. It was necessary for me to make inquiries as to the party for whom these vessels were built. We became aware that the Confederates had got builders both in the Mersey and in the Clyde to lend themselves to their projects. Only the other day my learned friend, the Lord-Advocate of Scotland, prosecuted a firm on the Clyde for being engaged in such transactions, and after a time the defendants pleaded guilty to one of the counts of the indictment, which charged them with attempting to furnish a vessel-of-war, with the view of making war on behalf of the Confederate States against the United States. With regard to the iron-clads in the Mersey, the noble Earl complains that they were stopped, and that they were in the first place detained before they were seized. For the part I took, in concert with my noble friend at the head of the Government, in directing that the vessels should be detained, I can only say I am not sorry. I do not regret it in the least. [Hear, hear.] On the contrary, I believe that I took a course which was consistent with the peace of the country, which was necessary for the peace of the country, and which was in favor of all the commercial and political relations which we maintain with other nations. [Hear, hear.] Only suppose that instead of Foreign Secretary I had been Home Secretary, and that I had information, on which I could rely, that a treasonable plot was about to break forth, that parties meditating high treason were on the eve of completing their bad designs against the internal peace and welfare of the kingdom. Under such circumstances, I should have no hesitation for a moment in desiring that these parties should be detained. The information might be wrong, but if I felt I had reason to believe it, it would be my duty as Secretary of State to take the responsibility of directing the apprehension of the parties. Now, there was, as I conceived, an attempt being made against the peace and welfare of the kingdom in its foreign relations, and I was as much bound to take the same precautions in that case as when the domestic peace and welfare of the country were menaced. Of course I am not going to tell the noble Earl what was the information which I received. I am not going to detail to him the evidence on which we acted, in order that answers may be given to our allegations in a court of justice. It is clear that those who were engaged in this affair laid their plans very artfully and cunningly. First, it was said that the iron-clads were intended for the French. The Collector of Customs was quite convinced that they had been ordered either for the Emperor of the French or for M. BRAVAY, who was supposed to be entitled by the law of France to go to war against any Power he chose to select. That turned out to be an utter falsehood. Next the names of *El Tousson* and *El Monnassir* were bestowed on the vessels, in order to support the allegation that they were intended for Egypt, the late Pasha having contracted for them. That story turned out to be equally untrue; but, of course it was necessary to make inquiries, in order to be able to answer the various allegations which were made as to the object of the vessels.

Earl of DERBY—As far as I am informed, the builders of the vessels never made any of those allegations. The only allegation they made was that the contract was given by M. BRAVAT. [Hear, hear.]

Earl RUSSELL—It does not much signify whether it was M. BRAVAT or Messrs. LAIRD who made the allegations. *What the Government have to prove, and what I believe we shall be able to prove, is that the iron-clads were built for the use of the Confederate States, and consequently it has been necessary to disprove the various stories which were invented as to the destination of the vessels.* [Hear, hear.] The noble Earl seems to think that the prevention of this expedition from sailing is a matter calculated to excite great displeasure in this House. But if the several steamrams had gone forth from this country, two now, and two on another occasion, and had destroyed the ships which were blockading the ports of the Southern States, what man would venture to say that we were not making war against the United States? [Hear.] That very evil which the Foreign Enlistment Act was passed to prevent would have occurred. Let me ask your Lordships was there no reason to suspect the Messrs. LAIRD? Were they persons so entirely innocent of any transactions of this kind that we were bound to believe every allegation which they made? Were we to accept at once, without hesitation, their assertion that the iron-clads were not intended for the purposes which we supposed? We were aware of the case of another vessel, built and partly equipped in the Mersey by these same Messrs. LAIRD, which had gone out from the docks in the Mersey and had committed, as she was now committing, hostilities against the vessels of the United States. [Hear, hear.] The United States Government had no reason to complain to us in that respect, because we took all the precaution that we could. We collected evidence, but it was not till it was complete that we felt ourselves justified in giving orders for the seizure of the vessel. These orders, however, were evaded. I can tell your Lordships from a trustworthy source how they were evaded. I have here a remarkable pamphlet, entitled *Our Cruise in the Confederate War Steamer Alabama*, and said to be written by an officer who was on board of her. The narrative is written, not with the caution of a lawyer, but with the frankness of a sailor.

Earl of DERBY—I suppose, of course, it is genuine. [Laughter.]

Earl RUSSELL—Perhaps we may be deceived here, as we were before in regard to the report. I understand, however, that this pamphlet is genuine. It is published at the Cape of Good Hope. The writer says:

"After the outbreak of the war, the immense naval superiority of the North gave them considerable advantages over the South, who, lacking convenience and material, were not able to build vessels with sufficient dispatch, *and the Confederate States' Government sent over Capt. D. Bullock to England for the purpose of purchasing a war-steamer.* Accordingly, the No. 290 was built and intended for a Confederate vessel of war. The No. 290 was launched from the building yard of Messrs. Laird, of Birkennead. * * At 9:15 A. M. of the 29th of July, 1862, we weighed anchor and proceeded slowly down Mersey, anchoring in Moelfra Bay—having on board relatives and friends of the builders, both ladies and gentlemen. Our ostensible object in sailing was to go 'on a trial trip,' and the presence of the ladies and gentlemen gave a certain color to the report. In the evening we transferred our visitors to a steamtug. Our unceremonious departure was owing to the fact of the news being received to the effect that the Customs' authorities had orders to board and detain us that morning." [Hear.]

That was the fact. However the owner came to be informed of it, it is impossible for me to say, and there certainly seems to have been treachery on the part of some one furnishing the information. In what character did the vessel go out? Did she go out as a man-of-war, completely equipped? No; she went out seemingly on a trial trip, with ladies and gentlemen on board, for the purpose of deception, those ladies and gentlemen being the friends and relatives of the builders. And yet the noble Earl speaks for an hour of the enormous cruelty and oppression of my suspecting a vessel built by the Messrs. LAIRD, which was clearly intended for war, and could act with great effect on any enemy it might encounter. But here is another rather strange circumstance. On the 8th of September, Messrs. LAIRD said that they wanted to have a trial trip for the next Monday. Mr. LAIRD said that he must have it without delay, and I gave my consent. That was on the 8th or 9th of September, and yet on the 21st of September Messrs. LAIRD declined the offer, saying that the vessel was not sufficiently ready to make a trial. [Hear, hear.] Then I am supposed by the noble Earl to be the most arbitrary person in the world, because I will not believe all these assertions; although the *Alabama* escaped detention by going out to sea on pretence of a trial trip. [Hear, hear.] I do not mean to go through all correspondence which the noble Earl so laboriously referred to, but I say that Capt. INGLEFIELD, on whose discretion entire reliance can be placed, was consulted on every step that was taken; and if any of the precautions adopted had been omitted the vessel might have been taken away. In that case many of those men whom the noble Earl said are now out of employment, as no doubt they may be in consequence of the plan being defeated, would have formed the crew of the vessel, and that vessel would have been directed against the ships of the United States. [Hear.] Therefore this was a case in which the Foreign Enlistment Act was clearly about to be violated, and it was my duty to take care that the matter should be brought into the courts of this country. I might have made a mistake, as it might happen that a policeman in the street, apprehending a man whom he sees quitting a house at 3 or 4 o'clock in the morning with a sackful of plate, might make a mistake, because it might turn out, singularly enough, that the man seized was the master of the house, who desired to go out at that early hour with a sack of plate on his back. That would be a singular occurrence, certainly; but no one would blame the policeman for having stopped the man. This was the sort of case for which we had to consider. It may turn out that this vessel was built for M. BRAVAT, because of some desire of his to make war on his own account against some State in the world, or he may think that he ought to take part in the present war in America. However, I can only say that I believe it will be seen, when this question comes on for trial, that there are reasons which justified the Government in the course they pursued. At all events, if the suspicions of the Government with regard to these vessels turn out to be correct, then would have been the greatest inconvenience in allowing them to go out, as that circumstance would have tended to create unpleasant relations between the United States and this country. I considered myself bound to see the act of which the noble Earl complains carried into effect. I do not believe that any noble Lord can think otherwise than that I was so bound, if it appeared to me there was a case against the vessels, showing that the persons concerned with them were acting in defiance of the Foreign Enlistment Act. In such a case I was bound to take steps to bring the subject of those ships before a court of law. Having explained what was the course we took, let me again say that I think that we are bound to maintain our neutrality in the contest between the two parties on the continent of North America. Great issues are there under trial, and no issue greater than the question of what will become of those 4,000,000 of the negro race which have hitherto been retained as slaves in the United States. For my part, I have never been able to feel much sympathy with either of the contending republics of the United and Confederate States. I saw that on the one side there was a declaration in favor of the perpetuity of Slavery, and on the other there seemed to be no measures taken even to undo that unholy compact contained in the Constitution of the United States, by which a slave coming into a free State, however much he may have suffered in endeavoring to reach that free State, is liable to be again restored to his master. It is to be hoped, with respect to this contest in North America, with whatever calamities it may be fraught, whatever slaughter may be committed, and whatever industries may be interrupted, that Providence will agree that some atonement for all the misery shall be made to mankind, and that the issue will be one which will place those four millions of the black race in a condition of freedom—in that condition which may hereafter lead to their prosperity by the proper employment of that liberty which the United States have proclaimed as the most sacred principle of their constitution. It is evident that it must be left to the contending Powers to work out this great problem, and I, for my part, should think it a great misfortune if the country should be obliged by any paramount considerations to take part in the present contest. It may be that the result of this contest, the beginning of which we all deplored, the continuance of which we all regret—it may be that the end of the contest may see that sin, that crime, that detestable state of slavery for ever abolished from among civilized nations. [Hear, hear.]

Lord CHELMSFORD reviewed various points of the correspondence, and argued, from the facts and dates, that the Government had seized and detained the vessels without sufficient evidence, and therefore illegally.

The Duke of ARGYLL regretted that Lord CHELMSFORD should have prejudged a case that might yet come before the House in another form, and which he might have to decide in a judicial capacity. The question was not one of mere administration, but of international policy, in which the Government had to defend the neutrality of the country.

The Earl of DERBY said he had heard nothing from the noble Duke who had just spoken, or from the noble Earl, the Secretary of Foreign Affairs, to lead him to change his opinion that the Government had discharged their duty in the present instance with unnecessary harshness and severity. He was perfectly satisfied with the discussion, and he had no desire in the present state of the House (there were five Peers on the Ministerial and three on the Opposition benches) to prolong it. It was, he might add, very much a matter of indifference to him whether the Government consented or not to the production of the correspondence for which he had moved; but even if he were anxious for its production, he should scarcely be bold enough to press his motion to a division in the face of the overwhelming majority which he saw opposite to him. [A laugh.]

Earl RUSSELL said he should rather not produce the correspondence, seeing it had been refused in the other House.

LAW REPORTS.

The Maxwell Divorce Case—A Divorce Granted to Mrs. Maxwell.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

Before Judge Foster.

Margaret Maxwell vs. *George F. Maxwell.*—The defendant in this case was the former popular and efficient Clerk of the Superior Court of this City, but who, though in the enjoyment of the confidence and respect of all, about three years ago, could not resist the temptation to elope with a woman of questionable repute. He left his wife and two or three children in very straitened circumstances, and has not since been heard from,—nor is it known where he is.

The court now granted the wife a divorce upon grounds which may be inferred from the above facts. The elopement (or abandonment) was the subject of much notoriety at the time of its occurrence, and the circumstances will be readily recalled.

The Fullerton Certiorari—The Matter Over for the Term.

SUPREME COURT—GENERAL TERM.

Before Justices Leonard, Clerke and Welles.

In the Matter of the Certiorari to Review the Proceeding, &c., in the Matter of William Fullerton in Contempt.—This case came up yesterday morning. Justice LEONARD said the case had only been pending a few days, and there were other cases more important than this contempt, which must be heard first. The matter must, therefore, go off for the term. Ordered accordingly.

For defendant, Gilbert Dean; for Surrogate, Mr. Rapallo.

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange....MAY 16, 1864.

$28,000	U.S.6s.5-20s.C	106⅞	200	Hud. R. R.	144
2,000	do	107	200	do	144¾
1,000	U.S.5s,'74,Coup. Endorsed	102¾	300	do	145
6,000	Treas.N.,7 3-10 Oct. & Apl.	112	200	do	145¾
10,000	U.S. ex.1-yr C.	98⅛	100	do	146¾
10,000	do	98⅝	100	do	147
5,000	Tenn. 6s. '90	60	200	do	148¾
2,000	Mo. 6s. issued to Pac R.	78⅜	1250	do	149
1,000	do	79	1000	Harlem R.	275
10,000	Mo. State 6s	71¾	1000	do	278
30000	N. Y. Cen 6s	111	200	do	280
30,000	O. & M. Cer	53½	300	Reading R.	134
35,000	do	53⅜	600	do	135
40,000	do	54	200	do	136
30,000	do b30	54¾	900	do	136¾
40,000	do b30	54⅜	500	do	137
3,000	Clev. & Tol. S. F.	115	1700	do	137
10,000	Miss. & Mo. L. G.	63¾	200	do b30	137⅜
10,000	do b15	64	600	Ill. Cen. Scrip	130
3,000	Chic. & Alt. In. B	94	200	do	129¾
1,000	Mar. 1st M. B.	80	400	do	129
1,000	Amer Gold	173½	500	do	128¾
10,000	do b3	174	200	Mich. Cen. R.	142½
5,000	do	173¾	200	do	144
8,000	Alton & T. H. 2d M. Prof.	95	1500	do	143
5	Am Exc. Bank	111	1200	M. S. & N. I. R.	97
10	Continental Bank	100	500	do	96¾
100	Canton Co	47	300	do	96¾
400	do	46½	600	do	111⅜
400	do	46¾	600	do	111⅝
100	Cen. Coal	66⅜	600	do	111¾
1000	Cum. Coal Prf	79	50	Cle., Col. & Cin. R	164½
200	do	79⅜	100	Gal. & Chi	127
100	do b10	80	100	do	127⅜
200	do	79⅜	300	do	128
200	do	79⅝	200	do	128¾
100	Wym. V. Coal Co	75	300	do	129
200	Mar. Min. Co	33	100	do b60	130
200	Quick. M. Co	72	400	do	128¾
200	do	71¾	100	do s10	128¾
100	Cen. Am. Trans	60	200	do	128⅝
200	Hinsd. Co	1½	3000	Cle. & Tol. R.	147⅜
100	Copake Iron M	10½	200	do b30	148
100	do	10	1300	Chi. & R. I. R.	113
100	Qtz. Hill M. Co	13	100	do b10	113
200	do	13¾	400	do	112¾
100	Pac. M. S. Co	231	400	do	112¾
12	N. Y. Cen. R.	132	100	do	112¾
166	do	133	200	Toledo & Wab R.	69⅝
400	do	133½	300	P., Ft. W. & C.	115
100	do b30	134½	250	do	115⅜
200	do	134	300	do	116
500	Erie R.	112	400	do	115¾
300	do	112¼	100	Alt. & T. H. R.	55
300	do	112⅜	400	Chic. & N. W.	57
500	do	112⅝	500	do	56⅜
100	do	112⅞	100	do b10	56⅝
900	do	113	400	Chic. & N. W.	57
350	Erie R. Pref.	107⅜	300	do b30	83
100	H. & St. Jos. R.	48	100	Chi. & Alton R.	90

SECOND BOARD.

$5,000	U.S.6s,5-20s...C.	106⅞	100	Mich. Cen. R.	142⅝
500	do	107	1200	do	143
10,000	U.S.6s,5-20s...R	107	100	do	143⅜
9,000	U. S.6s,5-20s...C.	98⅜	200	do	143⅝
30,000	Ohio & Miss. C.	54⅛	100	M. S. & N. I. G. S.	138¾
150	Canton Co	47	500	M. S. & N. I. R.	96
500	Cum. Coal Prf	81	500	do	96⅜
25	do	80	400	do	97
200	do	81¾	1000	Ill. Cen. R Scrip	129⅜
200	do	81⅞	300	do	130
400	do	81⅝	300	do	129¾
200	do	82	100	Cleve. & Pitts	113
100	Quick. Min. Co. b30	74	900	do	113¾
50	do	73	200	do	113¾
300	Pacific Mail	273	200	Gal. & Chi. R	129¾
200	N. Y. Cen. R.	134⅜	1000	do	130
1200	Erie R.	111⅜	1500	Cleve. & Tol. R.	147⅜
500	do	113¾	300	Chi. & R. I.	113¾
100	do	113⅞	400	Mil. & P. Du C. R.	67
750	Erie Pref.	109	100	Tol. & Wab. R.	70⅜
50	Hud. River R.	148	200	Pitts. F. W. & C.	116
100	do	148⅝	500	do	116⅜
200	do	149	200	do	116¾
100	do b10	149	1400	do	117
200	Harlem R.	280	100	Alt. & Terre H.	66
1000	Reading R.	136⅜	100	do	67
600	do	136¾	400	Chi. & N. W.	57
800	do	136	200	do	57⅜
100	Ch. B. & Quin	127	500	do	58

OPEN BOARD—1½ P. M.

100	N. Y. Cen.	133⅛	400	Cleve. & Pitts. s3	112
1500	Erie R.	112⅜	600	do b3	112⅝
300	do b3	112⅜	800	do	112
300	do	112⅝	200	do	112⅛
600	do	112⅜	200	do	112¼
300	do b3	112⅜	1000	do	112⅜
500	do s3	112⅜	400	do b3	112⅝
100	do b5	112⅜	400	do s3	112⅜
6500	Hud. Riv. R.	147⅜	400	do	112¾
100	do	147⅞	1200	do b3	113
400	do	148	2100	do	113
200	do b3	148	200	do	113¼
400	do b3	147⅞	200	Galena & Chi. R.	129
900	Mich. Cen. b3	96⅛	100	do	129⅛
200	do b3	143⅝	100	do	129⅜
400	do b3	143	500	Chic. & R. I. R.	113¾
1300	Reading R.	136	500	Clev. & Tol. R.	147¾
200	do b3	136⅜	200	Chic. & N. W. R.	57⅜
200	do s3	136	500	Pitts., Ft. W. & C.	116
200	do	136⅛	200	do s3	116
200	do s3	136	106	T. H. & Alt. R.	67
400	do	136	100	T. H. & Alt. R. Pr.	80
100	do b3	81⅞	10,000	Ohio & Miss. C.	53¾
500	do	81	50	Canton Co	46
500	do	80¾	200	do	46¾

OPEN BOARD—3½ P. M.

100	Erie R. s3	113⅜	200	Chi. & R. I.	114¾
200	do s3	113⅜	100	do	114½
200	do	113⅝	750	Chic. & N. W. R.	58¾
200	do	113⅞	300	do	58¾
200	do	114	100	P., Ft. W. & C. s3	117¾
400	Hud. R. R.	149	300	do	117⅝
100	do b3

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

The latest news from Gen. BUTLER, represents him as laying regular siege to Fort Darling, and that his Chief Engineer Gen. GILLMORE, was confident of soon having possession of the fortification.

The situation in Virginia, as portrayed by dispatches from Gen. GRANT up to Monday morning at 8 o'clock, and from our special correspondent to Sunday noon at 2 P. M., represents everything quiet for the last two days. The roads are in such an impassable condition as to necessarily suspend hostilities until they improve. Our troops are in excellent spirits, and perfectly sanguine of success. Heavy reinforcements of fresh troops were arriving. Our special correspondent says the rebels have not materially changed their position, but are fortifying and strengthening its army vigorously, but that it was altogether probable that they would be compelled to retire from it by a vigorous turning movement.

From Gen. SHERMAN the news is very cheering. He telegraphs that after two days' hard fighting the rebels evacuated their position at Resaca, on on the night of the 15th, and fell back in a southerly direction, with our forces in vigorous pursuit. Our losses in the two days fighting, in which we carried two lines of the enemy's works was about two thousand, in killed and missing.

Advices from Little Rock to the 12th inst., via Memphis, state that Gen. STEELE was confident of maintaining the line of the Arkansas, and that Gen. KIRBY SMITH was menacing Pine Bluff in strong force.

FROM EUROPE.

By the Inman steamer *City of London* and the Cunard steamer *Hecla*, which arrived here yesterday, we have European news to the 5th inst., and by the *Hibernian* at Father Point, dates to the 6th. The rebel privateer *Georgia* is at Liverpool, where, according to some reports, she is to be dismantled, as she is found to be unfit for the service required of her. Some questions were put in Parliament to the Under Foreign Secretary relating to the MALLORY forgery, and the sending of a British agent to the Davis Government at Richmond, via Havana—the agent being refused admission to the rebel States. On the latter point Mr. LAYARD said an agent had been sent as stated; but he was not permitted to pass the blockade. The repudiation of the interest on the New-York State bonds is severely commented on in the London press. The loss of the steamship *City of New-York* is attributed to the default of Capt. KENNEDY, whose certificate is suspended for eight months. The story is revived that the *Great Eastern* has been purchased for the French Government. The Pope has delivered an allocution at Rome against the Russian persecution of the Catholic Church. Prince ALFRED, of England, is in Berlin, on a visit to his sister, the Crown Princess. The Danish Conference reassembled on the 4th inst., but adjourned to the 9th without having transacted any business. It was considered that it had come to an untimely end. The death of MEYERBEER, the great German composer, is announced. He was 70 years of age.

GENERAL NEWS.

Both Boards of the Common Council were in session yesterday. The Aldermen referred to the Committee on Markets a lengthy but important communication from the City Inspector, renewing and urging his proposition to banish slaughter-houses from the City, and erect *abattoirs* in the suburbs, and the draft of an ordinance from the same officer, to prohibit the keeping of offal by butchers longer than one day, was laid over. The Comptroller reported that there remained on the 9th instant, a balance of nearly $21,041 10 in the Relief Fund, $573,105 35 having been disbursed from it since the 1st of last January. The Aldermen passed a new audinance authorizing a further loan, (No. 9,) of $500,000 for this fund, and the Councilmen laid it over under the rule, to be passed on Thursday. The Mayor returned to the Aldermen the resolution to donate the old Colored Orphan Asylum site in aid of the erection of a new asylum, and purchase of a new site, for the insertion of provisions, by the advice of the Corporation Counsel, securing the specific application of the proceeds of sale of the ground, and that the sale shall be by auction, and in lots. The Mayor vetoed the resolution to procure badges, etc., for members of the Common Council, because it is vague in character, and no appropriation accompanies it. He also returned to the Councilmen the resolution requesting him to convene the Board of Health, with his declination, from the belief that the Commissioners of Health have power to abolish fat-melting and like nuisances. The Councilmen adopted a resolution to send a joint special committee to the recent battle-fields of Virginia, to look after the wounded of New-York City regiments, adminster to their comfort, and recover bodies of the chief officers. The Aldermen first amended it by a provision that the committee pay their own expenses, and then referred it. The Councilmen took up, but immediately recommitted, the report and resolutions to take land in Central Park for a division parade ground. The Aldermen adjourned to Monday, and the Councilmen to Thursday next, at 3 o'clock P. M.

Between 6 and 7 o'clock last night, Policeman GEORGE W. DUBYEE, of the Nineteenth Precinct, was shot through the head and instantly killed, while in the discharge of his duty, on the corner of Second-avenue and Sixty-second-street. He was pursuing a man with the design of effecting his arrest, for having committed a felonious assault on another, and when DUBYEE came up to him, the latter turned suddenly around, drew his revolver and fired. The first shot did not take effect, but the second one entered DUBYEE's right temple and killed him instantly. Roundsman SCOFIELD, who was at hand, pursued and arrested a young man named JOHN CONNELL, who is believed to be DUBYEE's murderer. He was taken to the Station-house, and will be held to await the result of the Coroner's inquest, which will take place to-day. Deceased was 41 years of age, and resided in Fifty-fourth-street, where he has left a wife and seven children. He has been connected with the Police of this City for ten or eleven years; was always a faithful officer, and justly esteemed by all who knew him.

Yesterday a large deputation of street-sweepers waited upon Comptroller BRENNAN, to ascertain what surety could be given for their pay, if they resumed work, which they abandoned a week ago, in despair of getting the wages then due them from the 5th of last December. City Inspector BOOLE happened to be present with the Comptroller when the visit was made. The Comptroller addressed the men calmly and decidedly; said he regretted no provision was made to pay them statedly and directly; blamed them for ceasing work just when the City Inspector and himself were devoting themselves to securing their back pay, and thought, as they were now getting that, they ought to feel satisfied and resume work, trusting that the City Inspector and himself would act in their behalf for the future, as they had already done with respect to the past. He would not pledge himself for their future pay, because no certainty existed of his ability to make good such a promise; but if they resumed work, he would, in conjunction with Mr. BOOLE, make the most earnest endeavors to have them paid promptly. The men appeared to be satisfied with this straightforward talk, and departed with a general understanding in favor of going right to work again. Friday and Saturday of last week, and yesterday, from 2 till 11 o'clock P. M., were devoted by the Comptroller and his assistants to paying these men, who assign their claims to Mr. F. PALMER, President of the Broadway Bank. They receive $1,75 per day. Before the present arrangements for paying them were made, many of the poor fellows had sold portions of their claims, as necessity required, at a discount of from ten to twenty per cent. Now they get their money without any shave.

The Fifteenth Ward Citizens' Association held a public meeting in Hope Chapel last evening. The large assembly listened with delight to stirring addresses delivered by the President of the Association, JAMES BROWN, Esq; Judge CHAS. P. KIRKLAND, President of the Eighteenth Ward Association; the Messrs. R. B. ROOSEVELT, HENRY NICOLL, S. WEIR ROOSEVELT and others. The meeting proved a decided success, resulting in a hearty indorsement of the principles of the Citizens' Association, and in the addition of a large number of members.

Superintendent KENNEDY yesterday issued a general order to all the up-town precincts, in which he directs that for the present, no driver of a City car shall be arrested by the police on the ground that he has no license to drive, unless a warrant shall have been first issued by some competent authority, and that even if a warrant shall have been obtained, the driver shall be allowed to make his trip back to the depot. The Superintendent thinks the convenience of the public is paramount to the licensing of drivers.

A very large meeting of ladies was held yesterday afternoon at the Cooper Union, for the purpose of considering the question of retrenchment in the use of imported luxuries. Speeches were delivered by several gentlemen, and a pledge was adopted binding all who signed their names to it to use no unnecessary foreign articles of luxury during the war.

In the Court of General Sessions yesterday, before Recorder HOFFMAN, JOHN HALL, a seaman, charged with stealing a chest of tea, was tried and convicted of grand larceny, and sentenced to the State Prison for two years and four months. HANNAH COLLINS, charged with stealing $90 from an Italian sailor, after enticing him into a house of ill-fame, was tried and convicted, and sentenced to the Penitentiary for six months.

In the Supreme Court Chambers, yesterday, Justice PECKHAM denied the motion for a continuance of the injunction against the Harlem Railroad Company, restraining them from building certain extensions of their track. The temporary injunction was also dissolved with costs.

A letter has been received by the United States Sanitary Commission from Brig.-Gen. ASBOTH, asking for their assistance for hundreds of families of Union men, now in his department, and destitute of the necessaries of life. Clothing of all kinds and other contributions will be received at the depot of the United States Sanitary Commission, No. 10 Cooper Union.

The Mayor, Comptroller and City Inspector met yesterday as Commissioners for contracting to clean the streets, when the specifications for a contract, prepared by the Corporation Counsel, was read by the Mayor. Nothing further was done, but another meeting is to held in a day or two.

The news which we publish this morning from Peru is exceedingly important. Under pretext of securing redress for alleged grievances suffered by Spanish citizens residing in the country, the Spanish Admiral commanding on the coast seized the Chincha Guano Islands on the 14th of April, at once raising the flag of Castile.

The receipts of cattle at ALLERTON'S number 3,700. Prices have advanced fully ½c. ℔ lb since last quoted, and rule higher than ever before known in this market. The moderate supply on hand yesterday forenoon was selling lively, even at the advanced rates. In the afternoon 300 more cattle arrived, and there was a prospect of a few being left over at the close of Monday's sales, but held at firm prices. A Government agent bought over 350 head. Prime bullocks sold at 18c. on the estimated weight. Some will doubtless be found to cost as high as 18½c. ℔ lb. Fair to good cattle rate at 15c.@17c. The supply of sheep at Sixth-street was very limited, and prices were from ½c.@¾c. higher than last Tuesday. The best wool sheep selling at 12c. ℔ lb. live weight; prime shorn at 8½c.

An active business was transacted yesterday in Flour and Wheat, chiefly for export, at advanced prices. Corn was scarce and held higher, but was quiet. The Provision trade was restricted; Pork was much lower; Butter dearer. Groceries were inactive. Hay, Petroleum, Wool and Cotton were in moderate demand at former rates. Whisky was in brisk request and quoted higher. Tallow was freely purchased. The principal freight engagements were of Flour and Wheat for British ports.

The Stock market was quite buoyant yesterday on the increasing ease in Money and larger orders from outside speculators to buy the Railway Shares. The price of Gold was higher than on Saturday, influenced in the morning by the absence of battle news, and late in the day by the news from England of an advance in the rates of interest.

SPAIN AND PERU.—We publish this morning the important intelligence from our Panama correspondent, that on the 14th of April Admiral PINZON, commanding the Spanish fleet on the coast of Peru, and DON EUSABIO SALAZAR, Her Catholic Majesty's Special Commissioner to Peru, formally and without any warning, took possession of the Chincha Guano Islands, and raised the Catholic flag in the name of the Queen. The most singular part of the proceedings is that not only have the Islands, which are a great source of revenue to the Peruvian Government, been seized as a guarantee for the redress sought by Spain for certain grievances, alleged to have been suffered by Spanish citizens of Peru, but the Spanish Admiral, in his abrupt announcement of the seizure, states that he has also *retained, as hostages*, several officers of the Peruvian Navy, who are to be held answerable for any insult offered to Spanish subjects. One of the immediate difficulties, which preceded this summary action, appears to have arisen from the circumstance, that the Government of Peru refused to enter into negotiations with a Spanish official bearing the title of "Commissioner," which is the rank and designation in Spain of a Colonial Agent of the Home Government. As Peru has never been recognized by Spain as an independent State, it was probably deemed unnecessary to deal with the country on terms different from a colony. But the Peruvians refused to see the matter in this light, and the high-handed act of Admiral PINZON intervened, leaving this question of national dignity unsettled.

It will be seen from the report of the facts, that the members of the diplomatic body in Peru have held a meeting to protest against the seizure—the American Minister presiding. Among those present a cordial unanimity seems to have prevailed; but it is especially noticed that the French Minister was absent. The Peruvians appear to be thoroughly united in their determination to resent what they consider a flagrant outrage; but whether they have the means of making reprisals is a different matter. Their navy consists of a steam frigate, five small steamers and a brig. Whether, with such a force, they will deem it safe to attempt a possible recovery of their stolen property, seems exceedingly doubtful.

The Rebel Steam Rams.

We surrender a large space this morning to a Secession speech in the English House of Lords from the Earl of Derby, and to a sensible and conclusive reply from Lord JOHN RUSSELL. Both are of marked interest and importance. They will produce, on both sides the ocean, effects which will be felt for many years. Lord DERBY is the leader of the Tory party of England—rich, aristocratic, eloquent, ambitious and unscrupulous. His speech shows very clearly that he is quite willing to involve Great Britain in war for the sake of displacing the present Ministry; for he can scarcely doubt that the departure of those rams from an English port to prey upon American commerce would be regarded and treated by the United States as an act of war. Party spirit in this country often leads public men to rash extremes, but it very seldom happens that any party is willing to involve the nation in war in the hope of achieving a party victory.

Lord DERBY pretends to think that the British Government has treated the Messrs. LAIRD, who built these two steam rams, with great injustice, in not allowing the rams to go to sea until the builders would satisfy them that they were not to be used, in violation of British laws, to make war upon a nation with which Great Britain is at peace. The Messrs. LAIRD, he says, have given the Government all the information it has any right to demand on the subject. They have, in the most frank and ingenuous manner possible, told the authorities that the rams are building for A. BRAVAY & Co., No. 6 Rue de Londres, Paris; and A. BRAVAY & Co. have confirmed the statement. This, says Lord DERBY, ought to be perfectly satisfactory. The Government has no right to make any further inquiries; and in refusing to let the case end there, and the rams go to sea without further investigation, he insists that the Government is guilty of the most outrageous injustice.

Lord RUSSELL replies to all this in a very direct and conclusive manner. The British law forbids any British subject from fitting out, arming or equipping vessels for warlike purposes against any country with which England is at peace. These rams are evidently intended for warlike purposes, for their construction renders them utterly incapable of being used for any other. A. BRAVAY & Co. certainly do not intend to wage war as individuals or as a firm; they must of necessity be acting, if they are really acting at all, as agents, open or secret, for some nation or community which is at war, and the British Government has a right to know for whom they are intended before allowing them to depart. Indeed, unless the Government intends to wink at the evasion and violation of its own laws, it must be satisfied on these points. And what renders its duty in this matter still more imperative, is the fact that the builders of these rams have already more than once played precisely the same trick they are suspected of trying to play in this case. "These gentlemen," says Lord RUSSELL, "have done everything in their power, by fitting out ships, and by engaging in contracts to send out men-of-war, to give the United States a just cause of war against this country." They built the *Alexandra* and the *Alabama*, denying all the time that they were to be used against the United States, and, when finished, handed them over to the agents of the rebel Government; and to this day they are burning and destroying American merchantmen, without ever having visited a Confederate port. Lord RUSSELL thinks that regard for the honor of the British nation, to say nothing of its peace, requires the Government to see that it is not deceived and its laws evaded in this case as it was in others.

Lord RUSSELL is right, and we trust, for their own sakes quite as much as for ours, that the English Parliament and the English people will agree with him. Lord DERBY argues the case as he would argue a case of larceny before the petty sessions. It may suit his purposes to have it argued and decided on such a basis. It is of much less consequence to us than it is to England that it should be decided upon the largest and most liberal construction of the laws and obligations of neutrality. Lord DERBY seems anxious to establish the principle that a neutral may build, fit out and equip vessels of war in aid of any belligerent,—whether recognized as a nation or not; that the ports of a neutral may be used by any belligerent on condition of simply paying for the service. Hitherto this privilege has been accorded by England to the rebels, to our serious detriment; but the day is rapidly passing away when even this aid can give a chance of success to the Confederate cause. Bye-and-bye we may find it convenient to adopt these English principles of neutral law. Suppose Ireland should declare her independence and resolve to fight for it; our ports being neutral, might, according to the doctrines of Lord DERBY, pour forth swarms of iron-clads, rams and privateers to prey upon British commerce. The day will most certainly come when the practices and principles by which England has sought to damage us in our contest with rebellion, will return to plague their inventors. They may see the time when we will thank them for teaching us the privileges and immunities of neutrality; and we shall be very likely to "better their instructions."

The Campaign.

Our official advices from the Army of the Potomac are to yesterday morning. There had been no renewal of the great struggle. LEE's army was still near its last battle-field, apparently awaiting for another onset. We imagine it will not have to wait long. If any man wishes to know why Lieut.-Gen. GRANT has not during the last two or three days continued his work of executing the rebels, we advise that man to join the ranks of the army, and engage in an eight days' life and death battle, and he will then find himself answered.

Gen. SHERMAN, in his campaign into Georgia from Chattanooga, has pushed on to and beyond Dalton, has captured Resaca, about half way to Rome, and is still following up the rebel army of JOHNSTON, with which he has had several considerable battles. The country will watch the march of Gen. SHERMAN with some anxiety. He has a large and splendid army—a much larger army than that with which Gen. GRANT defeated BRAGG last November. But, though an intellectual man and a scientific officer, Gen. SHERMAN has usually been so unfortunate in his campaigns, that we look with more hope than confidence for his success.

BECOMING MORE EXPLICIT.—We published a few days ago the call of a small body of radicals for a convention at Cleveland, to "counsel together concerning the approaching Presidential election." A supplementary call has now been issued by other parties, in which they avow more explicitly the object of the convention and their motives for calling it. They call the convention to "recommend the nomination of JOHN C. FREMONT for the Presidency, and to assist in organizing for his election," and their motives for so doing are thus set forth:

"The imbecile and vacillating policy of the present Administration in the conduct of the war, being just weak enough to waste its men and means, to provoke the enemy, but not strong enough to conquer the rebellion—and its treachery to justice, freedom, and genuine Democratic principles in its plan of reconstruction, whereby the honor and dignity of the Nation have been sacrificed to conciliate the still existing and arrogant slave power, and to further the ends of an unscrupulous partisan ambition, call, in thunder tones, upon the lovers of justice and their country to come to the rescue of the imperiled Nationality and the cause of impartial and universal freedom, threatened with betrayal and overthrow."

And the "things demanded" as the result of the movement are declared to be (1) the "immediate extinction of Slavery throughout the whole United States by Congressional action; (2) the "absolute equality of all men before the law, without regard to race or color," and (3) the "execution with vigor of the law for confiscating the property of the rebels." If our armies succeed in conquering the rebel armies, the Emancipation Proclamation will terminate the existence of Slavery, unless declared invalid by the Supreme Court,—and any action Congress might take, except through an amendment of the Constitution, would be exposed to that peril also. If we do not conquer the rebel armies, nothing that Presidents, Congresses, Cleveland Conventions, or Rev. Dr. CHEEVER can do, will secure the "immediate extinction" of Slavery. If Slavery is abolished, all men, black or white, will be "equal before the law,"—whether Mr. FREMONT is elected President or not. And as to confiscating rebel property, the first thing to be done is to get hold of it. The Cleveland Conventionists are unquestionably sincere and zealous in their desire to seize it,—but we do not see that they have any plan for doing it any more rapidly than the Government and Gen. GRANT are doing it already.

Gen. McClellan.

The TIMES is mistaken in its history in saying that Gen. MCCLELLAN "got away" from Richmond, leaving the rebels "safe, sound and triumphant." He was peremptorily ordered away from the immediate neighborhood of that city by the President and Gen. HALLECK, against his earnest entreaties. His solemn official warning, when at Harrison's Landing, of the perils which would come upon the country if his army was recalled, are not forgotten by the people, though the TIMES finds it convenient to ignore them in the interest of its candidate for the Presidency.—*World.*

When Gen. MCCLELLAN "got away from the immediate neighborhood of Richmond," he went to Harrison's Landing. We were not aware that he was ordered thither, "by the President or Gen. HALLECK," either "against his earnest entreaties or otherwise." Possibly the *World* may have information on this point not accessible to the rest of mankind.

He *was* ordered away from Harrison's Landing, by the President and Gen. HALLECK, for the purpose of aiding Gen. POPE defeat the rebel army and protect the Capital. He did object very earnestly, we are aware, and did not finally obey the order until it was almost too late to render the service required. If we ignored his "solemn official warning" to the President, his friends ought to thank us for it. Its leading item was that any attempt to emancipate the slaves, or confiscate the property of rebels, would utterly demoralize and disintegrate the army and lead to the ruin of the country.

That "solemn warning" has not yet been fulfilled.

Call for the New-Jersey Militia by President Lincoln.

TRENTON, N. J., Monday, May 16.

By request of the President of the United States, Gov. PARKER has issued a proclamation for all the militia force he can raise in the State of New-Jersey within fifteen days, the troops to be infantry exclusively, to be mustered into the United States service by regiments, and to serve for one hundred days—to be equipped, armed, subsisted and transported as other soldiers. They are to receive no bounty, nor are they to be credited to any draft. Individually they are to receive credit for the service.

Arrival of Another Prize.

The British prize steamship *Greyhound*, Acting Ensign S. W. HARDINGE commanding, arrived here yesterday morning, in 18 hours from Fortress Monroe. She was captured on the 10th inst., in lat. 34, long. 70, by the United States gunboat *Connecticut*. She was from Wilmington, bound to Bermuda, and has a cargo of 850 bales of cotton, 35 tons tobacco, 25 bbls. turpentine. Is a screw steamer, 7 months old, 280 tons British register, and her engines are 200 horse power.

List of Officers in Charge—Acting Ensign, SAM. WILDS HARDINGE; Acting Master's Mate, Chas. Hall; Acting Third Assistant Engineers, James Campbell, — Burtomore.

Funeral of Gen. Thomas G. Stevenson.

BOSTON, Monday, May 16.

As a testimony of respect to the late Gen. THOMAS G. STEVENSON, the flags are at half-mast today on the public and many of the private buildings. The funeral will take place at noon to-day at the residence of his father, without public display.

THE STORM OF WAR—HOW GOES THE CAMPAIGN?

The Storm of Battle—Lee's Movements—Army of the Kanawha—Its Objects—Position of Johnston—View of the Field—Ohio National Guards.

THE BEECHES, Wednesday, May 11, 1864.

The storm has burst! Those who like the crash of battle and the flow of blood will have enough of it. The armies are now all commanded by Western Generals, and whether they be good or bad, their onset will be terrible. They have no faith in idleness, want no three months' rest, and have no requisition to make for shoes and clothing till the battle is over. The commencement of this campaign reminds me of that campaign against MARIA-THERESA, when the storm,

"With unexpected legions bursts away"—

but, I trust, with no such end. Happily the rebels have got no "Queen, the beauty," to rally them; no gallant Hungarians to come to the rescue. They must abide the fate of guilty, reckless men, who have conspired against the Government of their country, and the happiness of a nation. It would be strange, indeed, if Jehovah, whose attributes are Mercy, Justice, and Goodness, could (unless to punish us) allow even for a time the success of men, who in their madness have defied the laws of heaven and earth, to set up and continue a system of demoniac oppression upon their fellow beings. It cannot be. They must meet, sooner or later, the fate they have courted. They *would* die in the last ditch—and in the last ditch their remains will perish.

There is no question, the rebels have been greatly deceived, as to the force brought to bear upon them. Perhaps they did not believe all that has been constantly said in the Richmond papers; but, doubtless, they were not at all prepared to see the vast exhibition of strength which has enabled us to pour heavy armies on more than one point. They expected we should make one grand onset, and they thought that would be toward Richmond. Accordingly Virginia was filled with the best troops, and all that could be got together. JOHNSTON has a large army, but not at all equal to LEE's. Our Generals have probably underrated JOHNSTON'S forces. The united commands of JOHNSTON, POLK, FORREST and various detachments, probably make 70,000 men, and that is a formidable force. Behind the rocky spurs of the Cumberland Mountains, such an army ought to make an obstinate, if not successful defence. But there are two things against JOHNSTON. First,—Dalton can be flanked on either side; and secondly, the line between him and Atlanta can be cut off, if he remains there—hence, if he does not defeat our army at once, he will retire upon Atlanta. That place is said to be surrounded with fortifications. Perhaps so; but fortifications are the last resource of war, and time overcomes them. Atlanta is the most important railroad point in the central South. Prior to the war, it grew with immense rapidity, and from a small village it grew up to a flourishing town of 10,000 people. The rebels have no point of importance between that and Augusta, which is (in regard to these materials and resources,) the most important point in the South. They have an immense manufactory of powder there, machine shops, &c. But, we may safely assume that we shall not reach Augusta till all the main points of the war are decided.

The most quiet and unheralded movement of the campaign is that from the Kanawha. This has been in preparation for several weeks, and my information is, the column is thirty thousand strong, and has moved in the direction of Newbern, Va., near the New River. It must have reached that place or some other point on the Virginia and Tennessee Railroad, before this letter reaches you. The rebels seem to have no sufficient force in the Valley to resist it. Its immediate object is to destroy all the rebel communications through the Southwestern Valley of Virginia. This done, it may turn toward Lynchburgh, or to the South, ultimately uniting with the movement through Georgia. In the meantime, the Valley of the Kanawha, and the railroads in Western Virginia, will be garrisoned by the Ohio National Guards, who are now moving to their various points of destination. I have recently been at some of the points in the West, and I assure you there is no more glorious act in this war than to see these young men leaving the plow in the field, (as old PUTNAM did,) the anvil, the counter and the factory, to rally around the flag. "Oh!" said a mother, "my boy is *so young!*" "Yes, Madam, but he will supply the place of a veteran soldier." "Yes, (and she wiped her eyes,) I could have got him off, but I saw his heart was in it, and I couldn't say no." Such is the spirit of the times, and such it will be till that flag of beauty and of glory shall have waved over the last rebel. I trust before this letter reaches you to hear of the Army of the Kanawha, in the Valley of Virginia, striking an effective blow.

For the first time, in the War, the campaign is conducted according to my ideas of what just military principles, and true views of the resources and geography of the country, require. But, even now, there are two exceptions which may hereafter be important. These are the movement up the Shenandoah and the useless expedition against Shreveport. The former I would have trebled in strength, and the latter I would never have begun. I would have undertaken no expedition west of the Mississippi; and have contented myself with defending the lower sugar-country, in Louisiana, on the line of the Arkansas. We have wasted men, munitions and provisions enough in these ill-fated expeditions to have moved a strong army up the Shenandoah where it would have been as effective as one against Richmond.

I am writing without the information which must, in the midst of battle, reach you before this letter is read. I shall, therefore, make no suggestions of what may be, but a slight *coup d'œil* of what *has* happened may enable us to comprehend something also of the future.

It was impossible (as I have stated in a former letter) for LEE to defend the whole line of the Rapidan. Hence GRANT could cross and advance. When that was made certain, there were but two possible courses for LEE to take with any chance of success. The first, and in a military point of view the best, was to *abandon* Richmond, fall back upon Lynchburgh, and prolong the contest in the mountain regions, with the seaboard of the Carolinas and Georgia. This was judged inexpedient, probably on moral and political grounds. This being the case, LEE had but one course to pursue. He must *attack our army and beat it*, or there was no chance. He has attacked it and failed in the first attack. But he may, if his army is not disorganized, fight twice more before he gets to Richmond. The nature of the ground admits of it. He has, therefore, two more *chances* of success. But they are only chances. They do not approach probabilities.

Glancing further on, we find BUTLER to have made a most admirable movement. He landed at the exactly right point. No other one would have done as well. His game now is to stand there, and hold the Petersburgh Railroad till GRANT can cooperate with him. I don't count upon SIGEL, and if he should do anything, will count it clear gain. The campaign in Virginia then, may be reduced to just this: If LEE does not beat GRANT, and that overwhelmingly, he will be shut up in Richmond; and *if he is, the rebel Confederacy is gone forever.* Others may speculate as they please; but if LEE's army goes into Richmond, I would not give a copper for all the rebel bonds in existence, nor 20 premium for gold. In a few days you can tell whether LEE will go into Richmond.

The Army of the Kanawha will, I have no doubt, perform its mission successfully; but, of the army at Dalton, (now engaged in battle,) I can say no more than that if MCPHERSON'S Corps has taken position at Resaca, it seems fatal to JOHNSTON. If JOHNSTON retreats, he will go into Atlanta.

And so ends my review of the embattled field. Marshaled hosts are moving with the heavy tramp of men, and horses, and artillery. The earth almost shakes beneath their mighty tread. The ground is fertilized with blood. For what is all this? Is it not that we may be taught the wrath of Heaven upon our sins? And is it not to make us more meet, by suffering, for a glorious destiny? I think so. I think the nation will be restored to a better condition, and our flag of glory wave over a renewed, a prosperous and a happy land.

A VETERAN OBSERVER.

FROM THE PACIFIC COAST.

ARRIVAL OF THE ARIEL.

$888,428 in Treasure.

The steamship *Ariel*, Capt. WILSON, from Aspinwall, May 8, arrived at port yesterday morning, having been detained off Sandy Hook since 8 o'clock Sunday evening. The following is her treasure list from Aspinwall

Ribon & Munos	$2,198	Handy & Hoadley	$1,800
S. A. Asch	258	Parsons & Petit	500
Wells, Fargo & Co	600	Order	1,000
W. Penny	820		
Total			$7,168

From San Francisco.

Order	$32,609	J. H. Coghill	$4,530
Scholle Bros	30,000	J. B. Newtown & Co	26,739
Richard Patrick	50,154	A. Rich & Bro	9,000
H. Cohn & Co	38,900	Duncan, Sherman & Co., Wells Fargo & Co	51,800
Dewitt, Kittle & Co	6,080		
A. S. Rosenbaum & Co	$9,200	From Aspinwall	7,168
J. Strauss, Bro. & Co	49,240	Total	$382,432
Jennings & Brewster	8,900		
Wall & Co	14,177		

SOUTH AND CENTRAL AMERICA.

Important from Peru—Seizure of the Chincha Islands by the Spanish—The Flag of Castile Raised Over the Islands—Seizure of a Peruvian War-Ship—Governor of Chinchas and other Officers Held as Hostages—Protests of the Diplomatic Corps—Peru Asks for a Loan of $50,000,000—Will Throw Herself Into the Hands of the United States, rather than Submit to Spain—Gen. Herran on route to Washington—Action of the People of Peru.

PANAMA, Saturday, May 7, 1864.

In my last I gave the readers of the TIMES a short history of the Talambo affair, and stated that matters had assumed such a threatening aspect, so far as the action of Señor MAZARREDO Y SALAZAR, the Spanish agent, was concerned, that fears were entertained at Lima that the Spanish fleet would be ordered up from Chili to make reprisals on Peruvian property or territory. And a year ago your Panama correspondent wrote you that this same Spanish fleet, which pretended to be on a sort of botanizing, scientific excursion, was peeping in and out of Spanish American ports, taking notes and measuring the capacity for resistance of the feeble Governments of the South Pacific, preparatory to their re-annexation to old Spain. It appears he was not mistaken.

Last week a Peruvian steamer arrived at Panama, from Callao, having on board a special messenger to the Peruvian Minister at Washington, with the news that the Spanish fleet, consisting of three vessels, the *Triunfo*, 42 guns, the *Resolucion*, 42 guns, and the *Virginia Covadonga*, 2 guns, under command of Admiral PINZON, had seized the Chincha Islands and raised over them the flag of Castile. I give you an abridged account of this very important affair from the Lima *Comercio*, and a condensation of the responses of the several Ministers of the Diplomatic Corps at Lima, which I have condensed into a few lines. I send you entire the protest of Señor LIZERRO, Peruvian Secretary of State, which I find very badly translated in the *Comercio*. I have corrected, in many places, the bad English, but as the original Spanish of the protest is not before me, I confess my inability to patch up the hotch-potch made by the translator of the two last paragraphs.

LIMA, April 27, 1864.

A most serious event, which will be the cause of grave troubles, has taken place in this fortnight. The Spanish squadron, composed of the frigates *Resolucion* and *Triunfo* and of the sloop *Covadonga*, under command of Admiral D. LUIS H. PINZON, has committed on this coast the most unjustifiable outrage. Without declaration of war, without ultimatum and without any of the formalities prescribed by international law, the Spanish Admiral, in concert with the diplomatic agent, D. USABIO SALAZAR Y MAZARREDO, *took possession on the 14th instant of the Chincha Islands, deposing and arresting the Peruvian authorities, and hoisting the Spanish flag on the islands and on a Peruvian vessel of war.*

PINZON and MAZARREDO being agreed, and the Spanish vessels having anchored at the Chincha Islands, they summoned the Governor and the commander of the transport *Iquique* to surrender, allowing them a term of 15 minutes, and threatening to bombard the islands in case of resistance. The Peruvian force on the islands amounted only to 150 men, charged to guard 200 convict prisoners. The Governor protested in the name of the Government and the Republic against such an abuse of force, and the Spaniards landed to the number of 400 or 500, taking possession of the Chinchas Islands hoisting the colors of Spain and arresting the Governor, the Captain of the port and the Commander and officers of the *Iquique*. It was reserved for Spain to revive in the nineteenth century deeds which civilization has condemned as worthily only of the times of barbarism.

All these scandals were committed on the 14th inst. On the 16th the Spanish squadron appeared at the port of Callao with the intention to seize the Peruvian squadron, which, not being in condition to accept combat, put itself under shelter of the batteries of the Fort del Puente. Admiral PINZON sent a dispatch to the Minister of Foreign Affairs, in which he declared that the conduct of the Peruvian Government toward Spain had obliged him to take possession of the Chincha Islands until further orders arrived from the Cabinet of Madrid; and, furthermore, that he retained as hostages several officers of the Peruvian Navy, to be answerable for any injury inflicted upon Spanish subjects. To this note was adjoined a declaration, in which Messrs. PINZON and MAZARREDO, after stating that a truce only continued between Spain and Peru, *the independence of Peru not being recognized*, and that right of property to the Chincha Islands could be revindicated by Spain, declared that they had resolved to take possession of all the islands and vessels-of-war of Peru.

What principle of revindication does Spain invoke? The Chinca Islands form part of the Peruvian territory, and this territory is independent in spite of a decrepit monarchy. If reconquest is intended, the Peruvian nation is ready to fight and to renew the glories of Junin and Ayacucho.

The Peruvian Government and people burn with desire to avenge the insult offered to the nation.

The different offices of State, the scientific bodies, the colleges, the societies of all kind, the corporations of all trades, nay, all classes of society, have offered to the Government their lives and property in defence of their fatherland.

The municipality and all the functionaries of the courts of justice have equally protested and offered their services for the defence of the country. The Archbishop of Lima, the ecclesiastical Chapter, the regular and secular clergy, have also given proofs of great patriotism on this solemn occasion, offering their moral and, if necessary, physical coöperation for the same purpose.

In one word, the patriotic sentiment is universal and unanimous; there is not a single Peruvian who is not disposed to sacrifice with readiness his life and interests in defence of the nation; there is not a single corporation, scientific, commercial, industrial or religious, that has not offered its services and resources to Government; from the Chief Magis-

of the Republic down to the poorest laborer, all have but one idea and one sentiment.

And the example of Lima finds its imitation all over the Republic.

And not only Peruvians feel themselves animated by these sentiments; foreigners of all nations sympathize with our cause, and have made the most decided manifestations in our favor. The British subjects residing at Lima and Callao have held a meeting in the house of Mr. STAFFORD JERNINGHAM, *Chargé d'Affaires* of the United Kingdom, in which, after declaring their sympathies to the Peruvian Government and nation in the present circumstances, they have resolved to petition the Government of Great Britain for its immediate intervention, in order to secure a speedy adjustment of the existing difficulties, requesting Mr. JERNINGHAM to forward the representation to Earl RUSSELL by the next steamer.

With the same generosity have proceeded the countrymen of GARIBALDI; many of them have requested to be enrolled in the ranks of the army and navy; others want to form corps of volunteers, and all have protested against the conduct of the Spaniards. They will send to the Italian Government a representation analogous to that signed by the British subjects.

The Germans are organizing companies of riflemen who have placed themselves at the disposal of the Government, to be employed in the field at the most prominent places.

But if the Europeans have given to Peru the most solemn proofs of sympathy, the Americans of the North and South consider our cause common to all the Republics of America. And it was natural that this should happen, since we are bound together by such intimate ties and ruled by the same institutions.

Only a few Spanish loafers who since their arrival here had no other business but to slander the country day by day, as on account of their vices and ineptitude they had not been able to create for themselves an honorable position in our society, have approved of the treacherous conduct of PINZON and MAZARREDO. The people knew them already but tolerate them nevertheless, thus giving evident proofs of moderation and enlightenment.

The foreign Ministers forming the diplomatic body taking into consideration the reasons adduced by the Minister of Foreign Affairs and the declaration issued by Messrs. PINZON and MAZARREDO, met on the 10th inst., their senior, Hon. CHRISTOPHER ROBINSON, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the United States, in the chair, and declared, after a serious discussion, that they sincerely deplored that the Commissioner and Commander-in-Chief of H. C. M.'s squadron have not been guided in their proceedings by the prescriptions of international law for such cases, and that they do not accept the right of revindication invoked as one of the motives of the occupation of the Chincha Islands, but will continue to consider the Chincha Islands as belonging to the Peruvian Republic until their respective Governments have taken the retolutions they deem convenient.

The best testimony that could be given for the injustice and temerity of the Spanish aggression is contained in the declarations made by the diplomatic body. The representatives of the civilized nations declare that Messrs. PINZON and MAZARREDO have violated the law of nations and the established rules. What argument more powerful can be given for our cause? The Spanish squadron has thus committed a mere act of piracy and vandalism.

As the present circumstances require a considerable increase of the army and navy, and great expenses to meet all the necessities of the situation Government applied to the Permanent Commission of Congress, asking for authorization to raise a loan of twelve millions of dollars, increase the navy up to twenty vessels of war, and the army to the strength that may be necessary.

The Permanent Commission convinced of the necessity of strengthening the National Government voted, unanimously to authorize the Executive Power to raise a loan up to fifty millions, augment the army to 30,000 men and the navy to twenty vessels, with the obligation to give an account of the use made of this authorization to the ordinary Congress that is to meet in July. Moreover, the Permanent Commission has issued a communication to the people in which they declare that they are willing to grant to Government all facilities necessary for the salvation of the country as far as their faculties permit.

In virtue of said authorization, Government has given the order that every battalion of infantry and of marines be increased to 1,000 men, regiments of cavalry to 500, and the corps of gensdarmes to such a number as is considered necessary, calling all Peruvians willing to take an active part in the national defence to a voluntary enrolment. Measures have also been taken to put the navy at a war footing.

With the view of depriving the invaders of the most necessary resources, it has been resolved by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, that the vessels chartered by the consignees to take in guano for account of the Government shall not be allowed to carry correspondence or passengers, provisions, coal or any other article that might be of use to the intruder, except the quantity necessary for the vessel's own use, under penalty of confiscation. Communication between the Chincha Islands and the other ports of the Republic is likewise prohibited, excepting always guano vessels.

By another decree, the Government of Peru rejects the authority which the Chief of the Spanish squadron is exercising at the Chincha Islands, and declares null and void the arrangements made by said chief to extract and export guano; empowering our agents and consignees abroad to prosecute according to law cargoes of guano sent to their markets, having them sequestered and their value secured until Government take the steps which it may deem convenient.

LATEST NEWS.

The prisoners taken by the Spaniards whom they kept on board of their vessels as hostages have been put at liberty; this is owing to the energetic note directed by our Minister of foreign affairs to Admiral PINZON, in which he showed that the custom of keeping hostages only belonged to the times of barbarism.

The French residents of Lima and Callao have also held a meeting. The Hon. Mr. DE LESSEPS, Chargé d'Affaires of His Majesty the Emperor of the French, in the chair, they resolved, after aserious discussion, to address a note to Mr. DE LESSEPS, expressing their sympathies for Peru and stating that their commerce and industry being threatened by the Spanish occupation of the Chincha Islands, they expected, from the well-known zeal of the Chargé d'Affaires and from the constant care with which His Majesty the Emperor protected the French, that they would not be abandoned on this occasion.

Thus all foreigners are sympathizing with our cause and take a lively interest in it. They show the spirit of justice by which they are animated, and their esteem for the country. Peru will always remember with gratitude the noble conduct of the foreigners on this solemn occasion.

The news we have lately received from Chili leaves not the least doubt that the outrage committed by the Spanish squadron on the 14th inst. was premeditated. The aggression would have taken place even if the Government of Peru had acceded to the exaggerated pretensions of Señor MAZARREDO, recognizing him in the character of Commissioner. In fact, even before the Spanish Commissioner asked such recognition, the Spanish squadron was preparing for the attack, taking in powder and other articles of war at Valparaiso, and PINZON himself made no secret of the affair. This we learn from the Chili papers, which, without knowing the threat was to be realized so soon, proposed to the Chilian Government to consider the cause of Peru as their own. In this respect the opinion is unanimous in our sister Republic.

On the proclamation by the Spanish officials of the seizure of the Islands, the Government of Peru issued a reply, in which they say: The Government of Peru has learnt with the greatest surprise as well as indignation that the naval force under your orders has in violation of all law, without the least pretext that might justify it, and with the employment of force seized a vessel of the Peruvian Navy, and hoisting the flag of Spain, taken possession of the Chincha Islands which are and form a part of the territory of the Republic.

This proceeding, for which the Peruvian Government can hardly believe you can be authorized by the Cabinet of Madrid; this conduct observed in time of peace, without previous declaration of war, and when, if not exactly the best relations existed between Peru and Spain, it cannot be said that there existed any manifest hostility between the two nations, is an unheard of outrage, and signifies the greatest insult, the most atrocious injury that could have been inflicted against the independence, national dignity and good name of the Peruvian Republic.

DECLARATION OF THE DIPLOMATIC BODY.

The undersigned foreign ministers, composing the diplomatic body at Lima, met—their Senior, the Hon. Mr. ROBINSON, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the United States of America, in the chair.

Having taken into serious consideration the declaration issued on the 14th inst. at the roadstead of the Chincha Islands by the Commissioner of H. C. M. in Peru, and the Commander-in-chief of the squadron in the Pacific, and bearing in mind:

That the resolutions contained in this document have been adopted without previous declaration of war, ultimatum, or any other formalities prescribed for such cases of international law.

That one of the reasons alleged for the occupation is the right which the Commissioner and the Commander-in-Chief attributed to their notion to reclaim the islands belonging to Peru. The undersigned, in the impossibility of receiving shortly instructions from their respective governments, declare:

1. They sincerely deplore that the Commissioner and Admiral have not been guided in their proceedings by the prescriptions of international law for such cases, and

2. They do not accept the right of revindication invoked as one of the motives of the occupation, but will continue to consider the Chincha Islands as belonging to Peru until their respective governments have taken the resolutions they deem convenient.

CHRISTOPHER ROBINSON,
Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the United States to Peru.

J. DE LA CRUZ BENAVENT,
Minister Plenipotentiary from Bolivia to Peru, appointed under the same character to the American Congress.

THOS. R. ELDREDGE,
Charge d'Affaires and Consul-General of H. M. the King of Hawaii to Peru.

WM. SAFFORD JERNENGHAM,
Her British Majesty's Charge d'Affaires and Consul-General to Peru.

J. NICOLAS HURTADO,
Charge d'Affaires of Chili to Peru, signed at Lonia on the 20th day of April, 1864.

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All Union electors of the State of New-York, who desire the unconditional maintenance of the Union, the supremacy of the Constitution, and the complete suppression of the existing rebellion, with the cause thereof, by a vigorous war and all apt and efficient means, are invited to send from each Assembly District three delegates to represent them in said Convention—such delegates to be chosen at conventions called by the respective Union Local Committees heretofore organized.

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In pursuance to the above call, at a meeting of the UNION CENTRAL COMMITTEE of the City and County of New-York, held at Headquarters, corner of Broadway and Twenty-third-street, on Thursday evening, May 5, 1864, the following resolutions and call for the Primary Election were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That in accordance with the call of the National Union Committee, and in pursuance of the recommendation of the Union Committee of the State of New-York, that all Union organizations heretofore recognized by said Central Committee be requested to meet and select three delegates from each Assembly District, to meet at Syracuse on the 25th day of May, in a State Convention, to choose delegates to the National Convention, to be held in Baltimore on the 7th day of June, for the purpose of nominating candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States.

Resolved, That the Union Central Committee of the City of New-York, now and heretofore recognized, and at this time represented in the National and State Central Committees, do order that the various Union Ward Associations now represented in the Central Committee of this City shall meet at their usual places of meeting, or at such other places as the Ward Associations may select in their respective Wards, on the evening of the 18th of May, for the purpose of holding a Primary Election to choose three Delegates and three Alternates to represent each Assembly District in this City to a State Convention, such Primary Election to be held in accordance with the rules herein stated; and in view of the exigencies of the times, this Central Committee earnestly recommend to the Union Ward Associations throughout the City and County to cordially invite all loyal Union men to sink for the time all differences, and rally to the support of the Government in its effort to put down organized treason, which for the last three years has threatened the existence of our beloved Union and the rights of man, and that all Union-loving voters be requested to unite with the Associations in the various Wards in selecting to the State Convention such delegates who are known for their integrity of character and loyalty to the Union, and to elect such men only to represent the Assembly Districts in this City.

Resolved, That the Union Ward Associations, north of Fourteenth-street, meet on WEDNESDAY EVENING, May 18, at 7½ o'clock, and elect by ballot three Delegates and three Alternates, to represent each Assembly District within that portion of the City to the State Convention, to be held at Syracuse on the 25th day of May, 1864; and be it further

Resolved, That the Union Ward Associations south of Fourteenth-street, shall meet on WEDNESDAY EVENING, May 18, at 7½ o'clock, and elect by ballot one Delegate from each election district in the Ward, said Delegates to meet in the Assembly Districts lying south of Fourteenth-street, to elect three Delegates and three Alternates, to represent said Districts in the State Convention to be held at Syracuse on the 25th day of May, 1864.

Resolved, That the President of the Ward Association, or in his absence the proper officer of the association shall appoint at least three inspectors, whose duty it shall be to receive and count the votes, and report the same to the association, and when approved by the officers of the association, said officers and inspectors, or a majority thereof, shall sign the credentials of the delegates elected.

The election shall be conducted under such rules and regulations as the Ward Associations have conducted the elections heretofore, and in pursuance of the regulations of the Central Committee of 1856, continued in force up to this time.

The delegates shall in all cases be chosen by ballot, and no person shall be permitted to vote at the election of such delegates unless such voter resides in the Ward in which he offers to vote.

The Inspector of Election shall keep a careful record of the names of all persons voting, and certify to the same.

The Chairman and Secretary of the Assembly Conventions, south of 14th-st., shall sign the credentials of the delegates elected to the State Convention, to be held in Syracuse May 25, 1864.

At the primary election on the 18th inst., the polls shall be opened at 7½ o'clock, in each Ward, and close at 9 o'clock P. M.

Notice of the time and place of holding the election in each Ward shall be given by the officer of the association in at least two daily papers, for at least two days previous to the election.

The Assembly District Conventions, south of 14th-st., shall meet on THURSDAY EVENING, May 19, at 7½ o'clock, at the following-named places:

District.
I—No. 27 Greenwich-st.
II—Golden Hall, corner Franklin and Centre sts.
III—Franklin-st., adjoining Fifth Ward Hotel.
IV—Nos. 192 and 194 Centre-st.
V—Spring-st. Hall, No. 185 Spring-st.
VI—No. 274 Grand-st.
VII—Jefferson Market.
VIII—Corner of Pitt and Broome sts.
X—Lincoln Hall,
XII—No. 21 Avenue D.

WILLIAM A. DARLING, President.
HENRY H. HUELAT, CHARLES H. HALL, } Secretaries.

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AND
GARDEN ORNAMENTS
AT WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.
JANES, FOWLER, KIRTLAND & CO.,
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REGULAR TICKET.

It was through ignorance that, when we made our last will and testament, called the "regular ticket," we named ourselves our own executors. The mistake has been rectified.

THOS. T. HAZARD.
A. JUDSON STONE.
J. W. EDWARDS.

By the DAVENPORT BROS.

THE FOURTH WARD UNION ASSOCIATION will hold a Primary Election on WEDNESDAY EVENING, May 18, 1864, for the purpose of electing Delegates to the State Convention. Polls open from 7½ to 9 o'clock. HENRY G. LEASK, President.
WM. PHAIR, JOHN O. CONNOR, } Secretaries.

U. S. 10-40 BONDS.

These Bonds are issued under the 1st Section of Chapter 61 of 1864, which provides that all Bonds issued under this act shall be BE REDEEMED IN COIN, at the pleasure of the Government, at any period not less than ten nor more than forty years from their date, and until their redemption, FIVE PER CENT. INTEREST WILL BE PAID IN COIN, on Bonds of not over one hundred dollars annually, and on all other Bonds semi-annually. The interest is payable on the first days of March and September in each year. As these Bonds, by act of Congress, are

EXEMPT FROM MUNICIPAL OR STATE TAXATION,

their value is increased from one to three per cent. per annum, according to the rate of tax levies in various parts of the country.

At the present rate of premium on gold they pay

OVER EIGHT PER CENT. INTEREST

in currency, and are of equal convenience as a permanent or temporary investment.

It is believed that no securities offer so great inducements to lenders as the various descriptions of U. S. Bonds. In all other forms of indebtedness, the faith or ability of private parties or stock companies or separate communities only is pledged for payment, while for the debts of the United States the whole property of the country is holden to secure the payment of both principal and interest in coin.

These Bonds may be subscribed for in sums from $50 up to any magnitude, on the same terms, and are thus made equally available to the smallest lender and the largest capitalist. They can be converted into money at any moment, and the holder will have the benefit of the interest.

The Funded Debt of the United States on which interest is payable in gold, on the 3d day of March, 1864, was $768,965,000. The interest on this debt for the coming fiscal year will be $45,937,126, while the customs revenue in gold for the current fiscal year, ending June 30th, 1864, has been so far at the rate of over $180,000,000 per annum.

It will be seen that even the present gold revenues of the Government are largely in excess of the wants of the Treasury for the payment of gold interest, while the recent increase of the tariff will doubtless raise the annual receipts from customs on the same amount of importations, to $150,000,000 per annum.

The authorized amount of this loan is Two Hundred Million Dollars. Instructions to the National Banks acting as loan agents were not issued until March 26, but the amount of Bonds reported sold at the United States Treasury up to May 14 was

$48,964,900.

Subscriptions will be received by the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES at Washington, and the ASSISTANT TREASURERS at New-York, Boston and Philadelphia, and by the

First National Bank of New-York, No. 4 Wall-st.
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Sixth National Bank of New-York, 6th-av. and B'way
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The County Volunteer Committee now appeal to the patriotism of the citizens of this County to aid them in raising the Twelve Hundred and Seventeen Men needed, and thus save the County from the misfortune of a Draft.

The County Volunteer Committee will pay the following bounties until further notice:

FOR ARMY RECRUITS	$300
FOR MARINES	300
FOR NAVAL RECRUITS FOR THREE YEARS	300
FOR NAVAL RECRUITS FOR TWO YEARS	200
FOR NAVAL RECRUITS FOR ONE YEAR	100

A County premium of $10 will also be paid for bringing an army recruit to this office, in addition to the Government premium of $10, and a County premium of $20 will be paid for bringing a naval recruit.

Let the citizens of New-York make one grand and final rally to save us from the impending draft.

C. GODFREY GUNTHER, Mayor,
MATTHEW T. BRENNAN, Comptroller,
ELIJAH F. PURDY, Supervisor,
ORISON BLUNT, Supervisor,
WILLIAM M. TWEED, Supervisor,
WILLIAM R. STEWART, Supervisor,
GEORGE OPDYKE, Auxiliary Member.
ORISON BLUNT, Chairman.

NEW-YORK, May 13, 1864.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE MERCANTILE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

The undersigned, members of the Board of Directors, having learned the fact that an employe of this Association has furnished to parties in the interest of Mr. Theodore H. Vultee names of members, with their folios, in order that they may be illegally used at the ensuing election, respectfully urge that all members vote early, in order that this attempt to frustrate the will of members may be defeated.

THADEUS V. TABER,	JAMES PETRIE,
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JAMES B. COLGATE, assignee of the estate of the late firm of Beebee & Co., of the City of New-York, will sell at public auction, by E. H. LUDLOW & CO., Auctioneers, on the 28th day of May, 1864, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesrooms, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New-York, the following described lots of land, and upon the terms and conditions hereinafter mentioned:

1. A lot of land in the City of New-York, situated on the easterly side of Broadway, one hundred and twenty-six feet five inches northerly from the northeasterly corner of Broadway and 49th st., said lot being twenty-five feet three inches front, twenty-five inches northerly from the northeasterly corner of Broadway and 49th st., said lot being twenty-five feet three inches front, and extending back from Broadway to a point distant ninety feet westerly from the westerly line of 7th-av.

This lot will be sold subject to a mortgage of $1,750, which the purchaser must assume, and also subject to the inchoate right of dower of Mrs. Geo. W. Beebee.

2. A lot of land in New-York City, on the easterly side of Broadway, twenty-five feet five inches northerly from the northeasterly corner of Broadway and 49th-st., said lot being twenty-five feet three inches front, twenty-five feet one inch rear, and extending back from Broadway to a point distant ninety feet westerly from the westerly line of 7th-av.

This lot will be sold subject to a mortgage of $1,900 which the purchaser must assume, and also subject to the inchoate right of dower of Mrs. Geo. W. Beebee.

4. A lot of land in New-York City, on the westerly side of 7th-av., one hundred feet five inches northerly from the northwesterly corner of 7th-av. and 49th-st., said lot being twenty-five feet one inch in front and rear, and ninety feet in depth on each side.

This lot will be sold subject to a mortgage of $1,100, which the purchaser must assume, and also subject to the inchoate right of dower of Mrs. Geo. W. Beebee.

5. A lot of land in New-York City, on the westerly side of 7th-av., twenty-five feet two inches northerly from the northwesterly corner of 7th-av. and 49th-st., said lot being twenty-five feet and one inch in front and rear, and ninety feet in depth on each side.

This lot will be sold subject to a mortgage of $1,100, which the purchaser must assume, and also subject to the inchoate right of dower of Mrs. Geo. W. Beebee.

All the lots hereinbefore described are held by James B. Colgate, as assignee of Samuel J. and George W. Beebee, and will be sold as above specified in single lots. The Assignee will give his quit-claim deed to the purchaser. Ten per cent. of the amount bid and the auctioneer's fees must be paid down on the day of sale, and the remainder in twenty days.

JAMES B. COLGATE, Assignee of Beebee & Co.
ANDREWS, COLBY & THOMPSON, Assignee's Attorneys, No. 47 Wall-st., New-York.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

EXECUTOR'S SALE OF FIRST-CLASS STOCKS AND BONDS.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO., will sell at auction, on SATURDAY, May 21, 1864, at 12½ o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, by order of Samuel T. Hillman, Esq., executor of Wm. Hillman, deceased:

$3,000 United States 7 3-10s, of 1861.
$7,000 United States 5-20s, of 1862.
$1,000 Treasury Certificate, 1864, 6 per cent.
$54,000 Hudson River Railroad 7 per cent. Second Mortgage Sinking Fund Bonds, due 1885.

Shares.		Each.
70	Corn Exchange Bank	$100
40	Marine Bank	30
88	Metropolitan Bank	100
20	Bank of Commerce	100
40	United States Trust Co	100
20	Manhattan Life Insurance Co	50
80	Corn Exchange Insurance Co	50
100	Lorillard Fire Insurance Co	25

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

ROSEWOOD, MAHOGANY, AND BLACK walnut furniture, pier and mantel glasses, rosewood pianoforte, Brussels carpets, &c.:

ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO., will sell at auction on THURSDAY, May 19, at 10½ o'clock, at No. 752 Broadway, handsome household furniture, consisting of rosewood parlor settees, black walnut and oak extension tables, oak marble-top sideboards, rosewood seven octave pianoforte, pier and mantel glasses, bronze chandeliers, mahogany French bedsteads, dressing bureaus, rosewood and mahogany marble-top centre tables, Brussels carpets, oil-cloths, &c.; also large copper steam boiler and kitchen range—also kitchen furniture, with which the sale will commence.

HENRY D. MINER, Auctioneer—Salesroom No. 37 Nassau-st., opposite the Post-office.

MINER & SOMERVILLE WILL SELL at auction on WEDNESDAY, May 18, at 12 o'clock, in front of their salesroom, No. 37 Nassau-st., a black pacing horse, 15 hands high, 6 years old, has paced a mile in 2:40 this Spring; sound and kind in all harness, and gives promise of making as good time as any horse living. Also, a ¾-seat top road wagon, in perfect order; has been used but few times, built by one of the best City makers; also, a set of single harness; also, a covered barouche, nearly new and in perfect order; also, Summer and Winter blankets and hoods, &c.

GEORGE COOK, Auctioneer.

RECEIVER'S SALE,

On TUESDAY, at 10 o'clock, at salesrooms No. 141 Broadway, several counting-house desks, tables, chairs, water filter, &c.

Also, superior rosewood double-door wardrobe, mirror front; rosewood etageres, black walnut and oak sideboards, 60 extension dining tables, several parlor suites, chamber suites, library and dining-room suites, secretary bookcases, centre tables, hall stands, library tables, lounges, easy chairs, superior Brussels carpets, nearly new. Catalogues at sale. Goods for shipping can be packed on the premises in the best manner.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

VALUABLE LOTS IN THE IMMEDIATE VICINITY OF CENTRAL PARK AT AUCTION.—ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO., will sell at auction on TUESDAY, May 17, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway:

103D-ST.—Three lots, north side, 250 feet east of 8th-av.
114TH-ST.—One lot, north side, 245 feet east of 8th-av.
115TH-ST.—Two lots, south side, 245 feet east of 8th-av.
118TH-ST.—Seven lots, south side, 165 feet east of 4th-av.

Maps, &c., at the office of the auctioneers, No. 5½ Pine-st., New-York.

EDWARD PETTINGER, Auctioneer, No. 80 Wall-st.

SELLS THURSDAY, MAY 19, AT 10½ o'clock, large assortment printing materials, presses, &c., on storage at warehouse E. R. WEBB'S, Fulton, cor. Dutch-st.; sold for whom it may concern. Stock consists of a large quantity of nonpareil, brevier, bourgoise, 9th type, in cases and papers, Hoe's drum cylinder press No. 5, bed 31x46; two Hoe's double cylinder presses, No. 2, bed 28½x41; also, composing sticks, brass galleys, metal furniture, iron sidesticks, chases, leads, slugs, column rules, dashes, double stands, &c. Sale peremptory; catalogues ready.

AUCTION SALES.

A. J. BLEECKER, Auctioneer.

SUPERB COUNTRY SEAT AT NEWBURGH.

The following elegant country property at Newburgh, upon the Hudson River, the country seat of Frederic J. Betts:

A. J. BLEECKER, SON & CO. will sell at auction on WEDNESDAY, MAY 18,
At 11 o'clock, on the premises:

One lot of about 12 acres, including the porter's lodge, fish pond, extensive graperies, stocked with the best foreign and native grapes in full bearing; a magnificent private avenue, and a building site unsurpassed for beauty in the United States; also a peach orchard of 100 trees, now in their prime.

One lot of some three acres, together with an ornamental brick house, containing 11 rooms, exclusive of servants' rooms and cellars, with verandah on the south, 12 feet wide and iron balconies in front, projecting eaves, &c., all in complete order; also, outbuildings, and a double tenement house.

One other lot, of about 20 acres, with superb building site, and a never-failing stream of water running through it.

The environs of the property are covered with elegant and costly country seats; the position is celebrated as peculiarly healthful and pleasant, the society is excellent, and the drives of the finest description.

The property is some of the most valuable and desirable ever offered at auction in the country. It will be sold without reserve to the highest bidder.

For other information apply to the auctioneers, No. 77 Cedar-st., New-York. The premises may be viewed at any time.

The Morning Express train on the Hudson River Railroad reaches Newburgh at 9 A. M., and return trains leave in the afternoon.

MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.

EXECUTRIX SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY IN NEW-YORK AND BROOKLYN.—E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction on WEDNESDAY, May 18, 1864, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, New-York, by order of the executrix of Robert Shields dec'd:

NEW CHAMBERS-ST.—Plot of ground south side, adjoining Shakespeare Hotel.

WEST-41ST-ST.—1 lot south side, 225 feet west of 9th-av.
EAST 107TH-ST.—2 lots south side, 250 feet west of 2d-av.
WEST 187TH-ST.—2 lots north side, 150 feet east of 11th-av., each 25x99.11.
WEST 188TH-ST.—2 lots south side, 150 feet east of 11th-av.

BROOKLYN.

CARLTON-AV.—1 lot east side, 137 feet 3 inches from Park-av.
AINSLIE-ST.—1 lot south side, 100 feet west of Smith-st.
EWEN-ST.—1 lot south corner of Frost-st.
EWEN-ST.—1 lot east side, 75 feet north of Frost-st.
EWEN-ST.—3 lots west side, 50 feet north of Frost-st.
TURNPIKE-AV.—2 lots east side, directly in rear of the above.
5TH-ST.—1 lot east side, 20 feet north of North 5th-st.
NORTH 6TH-ST.—5 lots north side, 100 feet west of 5th-st.
NORTH 7TH-ST.—1 lot north side, 100 feet west of 5th-st.
SMITH-ST.—1 lot northwest corner of Jackson-st.
GRAHAM-AV.—1 lot east side, 25 feet north of Frost-st.
HENRY-ST.—3 lots west side, 65 feet south of Coles-st.

Book-maps at the office, No. 3 Pine-st.

CHIEF QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE,
DEPOT OF WASHINGTON,
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12, 1864.

SALE OF CONDEMNED CLOTHING, CAMP AND GARRISON EQUIPAGE, TENT CUTTINGS, &c.

Will be sold at public auction, at Government Warehouse, No. 6, 17th-st., between H and I sts., Washington City, D. C., at 12 o'clock M., THURSDAY, May 26, 1864, under the supervision of Capt. D. G. Thomas, M. S. K., U. S. A., a large lot of stores condemned as unfit for public service, viz.:

Infantry and cavalry coats and trowsers, shirts, drawers, stockings, felt hats, caps, trumpets, bugles, flags, drums, tents, tent poles, mess pans, camp kettles, spades, shovels, knapsacks, haversacks, bed sacks, &c., &c., &c.

Also, about sixty (60) tons of tent cuttings.

Terms cash, in Government funds.

Successful bidders will be required to remove the stores within five (5) days from date of sale.

D. H. RUCKER,
Brigadier General and Chief Quartermaster,
Depot of Washington, D. C.

MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.

A VALUABLE COUNTRY SEAT IN WESTCHESTER AT AUCTION.—E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction on TUESDAY, May 17, 1864, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, Trinity Building, New-York:

WESTCHESTER.—The country seat belonging to the heirs of the late G. A. Ludlow, Esq., situated in the town and County of Westchester, containing 70 acres, beautifully located on Long Island Sound, with large lawn sloping gradually to the water, and wooded with clumps of fine old forest trees.

The house is of stone, with slate roof, 65 by 50 feet; two story and basement, containing 24 rooms, built in the most substantial manner.

For a gentleman's country residence it cannot be surpassed, being situated in one of the healthiest and most fashionable neighborhoods, and within an hour's drive of New-York City, and within 4½ miles of steamboats and cars, which run hourly.

Maps and further particulars may be obtained at the auctioneers' office, No. 3 Pine-st.

MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.

TRUSTEES' SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY ON THIRTY-FOURTH-ST. AND NINTH-ST., NEW-YORK, AND LAFAYETTE-ST., BROOKLYN.—E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction on WEDNESDAY, May 18, 1864, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, New-York:

LEXINGTON-AV.—The three-story brick house and lot on the west side of Lexington-av., 75 feet 5 inches south of 57th-st. House 18.11 by 32.1; in good order; lot 25 by 90.

LEXINGTON-AV.—Two lots adjoining the above on the north side; each 25 by 90 feet.

EAST NINTH-ST.—The valuable four-story brick house and lot No. 325 East 9th-st., south side, 313 feet east of Av. A. House 20 by 40 feet 2 inches; in good order; lot 20 by 76 feet.

BROOKLYN.

LAFAYETTE-ST.—The two three-story brick houses and lots adjoining the northeast corner of Lafayette-st. and Hudson-av.; each house about 20 feet 2 inches by 30 feet 4 inches; lot 50 feet deep.

Terms at sale. Maps, &c., at the office of the Auctioneers, E. H. LUDLOW & CO., 3 Pine-st., New-York.

MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.

HANDSOME HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, RAVEN & BACON FIANOFORTE, CARPETS, &c.

E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction on THURSDAY, May 19, 1864, at 11 o'clock, at No. 105 West 11th-st., near 6th-av., all the furniture contained in said house, consisting in part of elegantly carved rosewood parlor suites, in crimson satin and green and gold flowered satin; reception and easy chairs, to match; richly-carved rosewood centre tables, very fine rosewood 7-octave pianoforte, made by Bacon & Raven; crimson satin and lace curtains, very fine mantel clocks and vases, richly-carved rosewood and mahogany French bedsteads, dressing bureaus; wash-stands, richly-carved rosewood secretary, lined with satin wood; lounges, easy-chairs, card and fancy tables, paillasses, hair mattresses, feather beds, bolsters and pillows, &c., together with an assortment of kitchen furniture, with which the sale will commence.

HENRY D. MINER, Auctioneer—Salesroom No. 37 Nassau-st., opposite the Post-office.

MINER AND SOMERVILLE WILL SELL at auction on TUESDAY, May 17, at 10½ o'clock, at the salesrooms No. 37 Nassau-st., a general assortment of household furniture, comprised in part of velvet, Brussels, three-ply and ingrain carpets; rosewood suites in brocatel; mahogany bedsteads, new and second-hand mattresses, feather bolsters and pillows, mahogany marble-top dressing bureaus and washstands, rosewood and mahogany marble-top centre tables, mahogany frame cheval glass, pier and mantel mirror, oak marble-top buffet, wardrobes, hat-stands, oil-cloths, matting, china and silver-plated ware; also, a large quantity of office furniture, mahogany, black walnut and oak desks of every description; office chairs, maps, &c., &c.

Also, at 12 o'clock—Carved rosewood 7-octave pianoforte, round corners, finished back, with all modern improvements, of superior tone, made by Warner of this City; rosewood 7-octave upright boudoir piano-forte, imported to order and sold by maker Detler, of Paris; also, one rosewood mechanical piano-forte, in perfect order, with ten boxes of operatic and cotillion music, complete, imported to order and cost $650: also, one rosewood 7-octave piano-forte, finished back, makers T. Gilbert & Co., of Boston.

MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.

VALUABLE PROPERTY ON WEST BROADWAY AND NORTH MOORE-ST. AT AUCTION.—E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell, at auction, on TUESDAY, May 17, 1864, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, (Trinity Building,) New-York:

WEST BROADWAY AND NORTH MOORE-ST.—The valuable property Nos. 120 and 122 West Broadway, southwest corner of North Moore-st. On No. 120 is a six-story brick building, 25 by about 50 feet. No. 122 is occupied as a coal-yard; is 40 feet on West Broadway and 65 feet 6 inches on North Moore-st. $16,500 can remain on mortgage.

NORTH MOORE-ST.—The valuable two-story and attic brick house and lot, No. 86 North Moore-st., south side, 20 feet east of Washington-st. Lot 20 by 67.4 $4,500 can remain on mortgage.

Maps, &c., at the office of the auctioneers, No. 3 Pine-st., N. Y.

MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.

VALUABLE LOTS ON 9TH-AV., 30TH, 65TH, 99TH, 118TH and 119TH sts. at auction.—E. H. LUDLOW & CO., will sell at auction on TUESDAY, May 17th, 1864, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesrooms, No. 111 Broadway, (Trinity Buildings,) N. Y.:

36TH-ST.—1 lot, south side, 93 ft. 3½ ins. west of Broadway; 15 by 78 ft. 9 ins.

NORTHEAST CORNER OF 9TH-AV. AND 65TH-ST.—2 valuable lots; corner lot 25.5 by 100 ft.; inside lot 25 by 100 ft.

99TH-ST.—8 valuable lots, south side, 125 ft. east of 10th-av.

118TH-ST.—10 lots, north side, 100 ft. west of 6th-av; each lot 25 by 100 ft. 11 ins.

119TH-ST.—10 lots, south side, 100 ft. west of 6th-av, being directly in the rear of above; each 25 by 100 ft. 11 ins.

Maps and further particulars may be obtained at the auctioneers' office, No. 3 Pine-st.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell the following described stocks at auction, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New-York, on WEDNESDAY, May 25, 1864, at 12½ o'clock, viz.:

$4,000 Illinois 6 per cent. Coupon Bonds of 1862.
$1,000 Illinois 6 per cent. Coupon Bonds of 1870.
$2,000 North Carolina 6 per cent. Coupon Bonds of 1889.

These stocks will be sold by virtue of an act of the General Assembly of the State of Illinois, entitled "An act to establish a general system of banking, and the amendments thereto," said stocks being the assets of the Bank of Ashland, now in liquidation.

JESSE K. DUBOIS,
Auditor of the State of Illinois.

A. J. L. SMITH, Auctioneer.

WILL SELL THIS DAY AT 11 O'CLOCK, at No. 17 Stuyvesant-place, 9th-st., between 2d and 3d avs., one piano, of splendid tone and finish, cost $650; three parlor suites, rosewood and mahogany bedroom suites, rookers, looking-glasses, mahogany and maple chairs, tables, Brussels and ingrain carpets, and everything that belongs to a first-class house.

HENRY B. LEEDS, Auctioneer.

HORSES.—HENRY B. LEEDS & MINER will sell at auction, on WEDNESDAY, May 18, at 12 o'clock, in front of our store, No. 93 Liberty-st.: A pair of dark bay carriage horses, switch tails, 16¼ hands high, six and seven years old, perfectly gentle and kind in single or double harness, fast travelers and stylish action. Sold as the owner is leaving for Europe.

AUCTION SALES.

HENRY H. LEEDS, Auctioneer.

SEWING-MACHINES.

HENRY H. LEEDS & MINER will sell at auction on TUESDAY, May 17, at 12 o'clock, at our salesroom, No. 93 Liberty-st., a few doors west of Broadway, 88 sewing-machines, all complete and in fine order, all packed in cases ready for shipment. To be sold without reserve, to close an advance.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

LOTS ON PACIFIC-ST., BROOKLYN, AT AUCTION.—ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO., will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, May 17, 1864, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway:

PACIFIC-ST.—2 lots on south side, 138 feet east from Classon-av.; each 25 by 116 feet.

Maps at the office of the auctioneers, No. 5½ Pine-st., New-York.

G. VAN WAGONEN, Auctioneer.

WILL SELL AT PUBLIC SALE, IN THE City of Paterson, on WEDNESDAY, May 18, 1864, No. 1 Main-st., valuable property known as the Empire Steam Mills; the plot contains 9,800 square feet, with extensive buildings; the engine a fine one of 12 horse-power; boiler, shafting, belting, &c., &c.; also a moulding machine, with the apparatus. The machinery will be sold separate. Sale at 1 o'clock P. M.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

SALE OF LOTS ON 64TH-ST.—ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO., will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, May 17, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway:

64TH-ST.—The 9 valuable lots situate on the north side of 64th-st., commencing 100 feet easterly from the 11th-av. Terms easy.

For maps, &c., apply to the auctioneers, No. 5½ Pine-st., New-York.

FOR SALE.

COUNTRY RESIDENCES.

First-class, medium and low-priced places, well located, with easy access to New-York from all directions, for sale low and in great variety, by
C. G. PRATT, No. 38 Pine-st.

VALUABLE HOTEL.—FOR SALE OR TO LET.—A valuable hotel, beautifully situated on the west bank of the Passaic River, on the main street in the village of Belleville, New-Jersey, only nine miles from New-York and three from Newark, to which place a railroad is nearly completed and will be running in a short time. And connecting there with the railroad to New-York, thus making this a very desirable location for a hotel or Summer boarding-house. The buildings are commodious, having twenty-five furnished rooms, beside office and large public hall, kitchen, cellar, &c.; excellent garden; also barns, stables, sheds, &c. All have lately been thoroughly repaired and painted, and are in good order. They will be sold low, on accommodating terms, or let to a good tenant for one or more years. Also for sale, several valuable building lots in the village, and a farm of about fifty acres near the above premises. Inquire of T. B. CODDINGTON, No. 80 Broad-st., or of JOHN W. DOW, Belleville, near the premises.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE FOR CITY property on the Hudson River, at Montrose Point, near Verplanck's Point, a country residence, consisting of 33 acres of land, comprising several beautiful building sites, with large brick house and all necessary outbuildings.

This place is unsurpassed for beauty of scenery and location. It is in the immediate vicinity of the residences of Messrs. Watkinson, Luqueer, &c., and is accessible at all times by steamboat and railroad, being one mile from East Haverstraw, half mile from Cruger's, and two and a half miles from Peekskill. Price $14,000.

For further particulars apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

FOR SALE—THE SPLENDID MANSION AND farm of George Bradish, on Little Neck Bay, near Flushing, 100 acres of first-class land; pear orchard of 900 trees; fruit of all kinds, of first quality. The Bay is famous for shell and other fish in season; boat and bath houses at foot of lawn; two dwelling houses; the new one a first-class residence, complete in every particular; buildings on premises could not be replaced for $50,000. Views over Bay and Sound unsurpassed. Inquire of
R. C. EMBREE, No. 54 William-st., Room No. 22,
GEORGE BRADISH, No. 27 Cortlandt-st.

FOR SALE—AT BRIDGEPORT, CONN., A handsome country residence, with eight acres of ground, 1¼ miles from railroad depot. On the premises are a double house, with kitchen wing attached, furnished with hot-air furnace, bath-room, range, &c.; a large barn, with cellar, hen-house, tool-house, and other outbuildings, all nearly new and in good order; fine garden, fruit and shade trees, evergreens and shrubbery, grounds bounded by water on one side. Apply on the premises, to J. N. IRELAND, or to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine st., New-York.

FOR SALE—A VERY ELEGANT PRIVATE residence, on Wyckoff-st., Brooklyn, third house east of New-York-av., with 16 lots of ground, and brick stable. The house is of Philadelphia brick, with stone architraves to doors and windows. Has all the modern improvements. Contains 16 rooms, and a large and elegant music room and picture gallery. The grounds are tastefully arranged with the choicest shrubbery, and fruit in great variety and abundance. Inquire on the premises, or of J. CAMPBELL, Pacific Bank.

FOR SALE ON THE HUDSON, BETWEEN Scarborough and Sing Sing, a very beautiful place of seven acres, complete in all its appointments, and admirably located, overlooking the river and its shores from the Palisades to Tarrytown. The buildings are very superior, the grounds in perfect taste and condition, with every variety of fruit and shade, springs and running brooks. Price $22,000, and not a cheaper first-class property for sale in Westchester County. Apply to C. G. PRATT, No. 38 Pine-st.

WE WOULD CALL ATTENTION TO THE sale of valuable property on West Broadway, 9th av., North-Moore, 36th, 65th, 99th, 118th and 119th sts., New-York, and Woodlawn, Westchester Co., to be sold at auction by E. H. LUDLOW & CO., TO-DAY (Tuesday), at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, Trinity Building. Maps, &c., at the Auctioneer's office, No. 3 Pine-st.

AMONGST THE MOUNTAINS AT IRVINGTON—A handsome country residence for sale, near the Hudson, with 20 acres of land, well supplied with fruit and water in every form. The buildings are handsome, convenient and commodious; the mountain scenery is beautiful, and the atmosphere renowned for its salubrity; price $7,500.
C. G. PRATT, No. 38 Pine-st.

HANDSOME BUILDING SITES FOR SALE—Directly on Pelham and Eastchester Bays, consisting of acres, to be divided into parcels to suit purchasers; high ground, commanding beautiful and extended views of Long Island Sound, 25 minutes' drive of New-Rochelle and Mount Vernon depots: fifteen minutes of steamboat. Apply to E. H. LUDLOW & CO., No. 3 Pine-st.

NEWBURGH.—FOR SALE AT NEWBURGH, on the Hudson, a furnished house and 4 acres of land, within walking distance of the ferry and depot; house is brick, 42x44 feet, tastefully built, with all the modern improvements, su

SITUATIONS WANTED.

MALES.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS COACHMAN BY A single man; he understands his business and can give the best of City references for the last ten years. Apply, for two days, at No. 25 East 26th-st.

WANTED—BY A YOUNG MAN, 19 YEARS OF age, a situation in a wholesale drug store; can bring recommendations from his last employers. Address J. B., Box No 135 *Times* Office, will meet with attention.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A SMART, INtelligent young man, 16 years old, in an office or store; the best of City reference. Address D. C., for one week, Box No. 200 *Times* Office.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS COACHMAN BY a single man who thoroughly understands his business; is willing to make himself useful; good City and country reference. Address J. M., Box 193 *Times* Office.

SEXTON—A GENTLEMAN OF GOOD ADDRESS and unimpeachable character, would like to make an engagement with some church, either in the City or some place of easy access. Address D. SEXTON, Station D, New-York Post-office.

A PROFESSIONAL GARDENER WILL be open for engagement by June 1, o sooner. Parties wanting a thorough practical man will please address DUNDEE, Box 196 *Times* Office; references first class.

HELP WANTED.

WANTED—A GIRL TO DO THE GENERAL housework of a private family; must be a good washer and ironer; come well recommended. Apply at No. 8 Barrow-st.

WANTED—A GIRL TO DO GENERAL HOUSEwork. Apply at No. 103 East 53d-st., near Lexington-av.

WANTED—A PROTESTANT GIRL, AS CHAMbermaid and waitress, and to assist with the washing in a small family, 15 miles from New-York, in New-Jersey. A competent person with good reference may apply on WEDNESDAY, between 11 and 12 o'clock, at No. 16 East 41st-st., near 5th-av.

WANTED—AN ENGLISH, FRENCH OR GERman coachman by a gentleman residing near New-York; only those thoroughly understanding their business need apply, at No. 61 Beaver-st., up stairs, between the hours of 11 and 1.

WANTED—A BOOK-KEEPER IN A FOREIGN banking house; he must be fully competent, and be conversant with the English, French and German languages. Address Box No. 18 Post-office, New-York, stating qualifications, salary and references.

WANTED—A SHIPPING CLERK; A YOUNG man who is acquainted with the City and has had some experience. One who writes a fair hand and is good at figures may address in his own handwriting, with references, Box, No. 1,662 Post-office.

WANTED—A COLORED WAITER; ONE WHO thoroughly understands his business and can bring the best City reference; no others need apply. Call before 12 o'clock in the morning or after 5 P. M. at No. 200 Madison-av.

WANTED—FIRST-CLASS LADY'S MAID, WITH City reference; must be a thorough seamstress and understand hairdressing. Good wages given if suited. Call from 12 to 3 o'clock Wednesday at the Gramercy Park House, Room No. 8.

WANTED—IMMEDIATELY, A RELIABLE SINgle man, who understands farming and gardening; must not be afraid to make himself generally useful. Apply at E. Ridley's, Nos. 311 and 311½ Grand-st., between 9 and 11 A. M., or after 5 P. M.

WANTED—AN INTELLIGENT ACTIVE LAD, from fifteen to eighteen years of age, to attend to outside business, and make himself generally useful; unexceptional references required. Address with references, Box No. 1,231, Post-office.

WANTED—A STEADY, INDUSTRIOUS, UNMARried man, to act as coachman, gardener, and make himself generally useful. Apply at No. 87 Fulton-st., E. Y., in the store.

WANTED—A YOUNG MAN TO GO TO ENGLEwood, N. J., to take charge of a horse, cow and garden, and make himself generally useful. Apply to E. A. CATON, No. 23 Exchange-place, New-York.

WANTED—A GOOD PROTESTANT G.R.L TO DO general housework; must wash and iron well, and do plain cooking. Apply to-day at No. 198 Grand st., near Mott.

WANTED—IN A DRY GOODS COMMISSION house, a young man of some experience and the best of references. Address Box No. 446 General Post-office, with particulars.

WANTED—BY A GARDENER, A PLACE; IS also a good farmer; understands the breeding of cattle, as well as plants; 12 years' practice; good references. Address G. F., Box No. 291 *Times* Office, for 2 days.

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NEW-YORK, May 18, 1864.

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POLITICAL.

FOURTEENTH WARD UNION ASSOCIATION.—Pursuant to the call of the Union Central Committee, an election will be held at their headquarters, No. 375 Broome-st., on WEDNESDAY EVENING, 18th May, 1864. Polls open at 7½ o'clock to 9 o'clock P. M. The books of this association will be open TUESDAY EVENING, from 7½ o'clock till 9 o'clock P. M., for the enrollment of the names of the Union citizens of the ward. THOS. MULLIGAN, President.
SIDNEY SMITH, DAN'L S. DUVAL, } Secretaries.

FIFTEENTH WARD UNION ASSOCIATION.—A special meeting of this Association will be held on WEDNESDAY EVENING, May 18, inst., at 7½ o'clock, at Room No. 5, in Clinton Hall, (Astor-place, near Broadway,) to elect by ballot one Delegate from each election District in the Ward to meet in the 7th Assembly District, to elect delegates and alternates to the State Convention, to be held at Syracuse, the 25th inst. The polls will be opened at 7½ o'clock, P. M., and close at 9 o'clock, P. M. ABRAHAM LENT, President.
J. E. STUART, Secretary.

THE THIRTEENTH WARD UNION ASSOCIATION will hold a primary election at M. O'Shaughnessy's hotel, corner of Broome and Pitt sts., on WEDNESDAY EVENING, May 18, 1864, to elect delegates to the several Assembly District Conventions. Polls open from 7½ to 9 o'clock. The Enrolling Committee will sit TUESDAY EVENING, May 17, 1864, at 8 o'clock, at the above place.
EPESE. ELLERY, President.
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TWELFTH WARD UNION ASSOCIATION.—In accordance with the call of the Union Central Committee, of the City of New-York, a special meeting of the XIIth Ward Union Association will be held at headquarters, Washington Hall, No. 1,953 3d-av., on WEDNESDAY EVENING, May 18, 1864, for the purpose of electing three delegates and three alternates to the State Convention. Polls open from 7½ to 9 o'clock P. M. JOHN P. CUMMINGS, President.
J. H. PORTER, Secretary.

TWELFTH WARD UNION ASSOCIATION, will meet on WEDNESDAY EVENING, May 18, pursuant to the call of the Union Central Committee, for the purpose of electing three Delegates and three Alternates, to represent the Seventeenth Assembly District in the Union State Convention, to be held at Syracuse on the 25th day of May. Polls open from 7½ to 9 o'clock. JOHN P. CUMMINGS, President.
JOHN H. PORTER, Secretary.

TWENTY-FIRST WARD UNION ASSOCIATION—This association will meet at their headquarters, XXIst Ward Union Reading Rooms, No. 435 6th-av., on WEDNESDAY EVENING, May 18, pursuant to the call of the Union Central Committee, for the purpose of electing delegates to the Union State Convention, to be held at Syracuse on the 25th inst. Polls will be open from 7½ to 9 o'clock. THOMAS MURPHY, President.
ROBERT P. DUNCAN, Secretary.

NINETEENTH WARD UNION ASSOCIATION.—A special meeting will be held in pursuance of the call of the Union Central Committee, at Dingledien's, 3d-av., near 60th-st., on WEDNESDAY, 18th inst., for the purpose of electing delegates and alternates to the Union State Convention, to be held at Syracuse on the 25th inst. Polls will be open from 7½ until 9 o'clock P. M. By order,
ALLAN COOPER, N. YELVERTON, } Secretaries. H. DECAMP, President.

TWENTY-SECOND WARD.—PURSUANT to a call of the Union Central Committee, the XXIId Ward Union Association will hold a meeting at No. 663 8th-av., on WEDNESDAY EVENING, May 18, to elect Delegates to the Syracuse Convention. Poll open from 7½ to 9 P. M. A. H. UNDERHILL, President.
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TWENTIETH WARD UNION ASSOCIATION.—An election of three delegates and three alternates to the Syracuse Convention, will be held at Lincoln Hall, corner of 8th-av. and 33d-st., WEDNESDAY EVENING, May 18. Polls open from 7½ to 9 o'clock. JOHN V. GRIDLEY, President.
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JOHN LEWIS, President.
R. G. HUNT, Secretary.

NINTH WARD UNION ASSOCIATION.—A special meeting will be held at Bleecker Buildings on WEDNESDAY EVENING, the 18th inst., to elect delegates to the District Conventions, to appoint delegates to the Convention to be held at Syracuse on the 25th inst. Polls open from 7½ to 9 o'clock.
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[No. 121.]

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OUR ARMY IN VIGOROUS PURSUIT.

WASHINGTON, Monday, May 16.

Official advices received here, to-day, from Gen. SHERMAN, announce that he had forced JOHNSTON out of his formidable position at Resaca, the latter evacuating the position during last night. SHERMAN would pursue vigorously. Atlanta is the point now aimed for by both armies.

ANOTHER DISPATCH.

WASHINGTON, Monday, May 16.

A dispatch received by Gen. HALLECK from Gen. SHERMAN says that he had a fight yesterday at Resaca, in which we were successful.

No details are given.

Gen. SHERMAN says he has not had time to find out, but that as near as he can judge our loss was about three thousand killed, wounded and missing.

Everything was progressing very favorably.

The railroad has been repaired to within seven miles of the army.

FURTHER PARTICULARS.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Monday, May 16.

A hospital train reached here this morning from Chattanooga, bringing 120 wounded men, who received injuries in the recent movements of Gen. SHERMAN's army.

We learn from reliable authority that McPHERSON captured on Friday, May 13, nine railroad trains below Resaca, laden with various military stores from Dalton.

The enemy seems to be making preparations for an evacuation.

Efforts are being made by the enemy to push their supplies south of Resaca.

Gen. SHERMAN was with McPHERSON's army when last heard from.

In attempts to move out of Gen. SHERMAN's way it is thought JOHNSTON will be foiled.

Advantages have been gained, and hopes are entertained of a speedy success which will keep pace with operations in Virginia.

Gen. KILPATRICK, who was wounded several days since, is not considered dangerously so.

Gens. WILICH and MARSON are also slightly wounded.

PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Monday, May 16.

A CENSUS IN 1865.

Mr. WILSON, of Massachusetts, (Union,) introduced a joint resolution that the Secretary of the Interior cause timely provision to be made for an enumeration of the inhabitants of the United States, and of their industrial resources, on or near the first day of June, A. D. 1865, in conformity with the law of May 23, 1850. Provided, that the superintendent of the work be and is hereby authorized to arrange with the Governors of such States respectively as may make or shall have made timely provision for a State census, at or near the period indicated, for copies of the original returns contemplated by this resolution on such terms as the Secretary of the Interior shall approve. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

GENS. SCHENCK AND BLAIR.

The resolution of Mr. DAVIS, that the arrangement made by the President and Secretary of War with Gens. SCHENCK and BLAIR, to receive from them temporary commissions of Major-Generals, with discretion on their part at any time during this session of Congress to resume them, was in derogation of the Constitution of the United States, and not within the power of the President and the Secretary of War, or either of them, to make, with the amendment as the substitute of Mr. WILSON, were, on motion of Mr. MORRILL, after a short debate, referred to the Judiciary Committee, by yeas 24, nays 12.

The substitute of Mr. WILSON, after striking out all after the whereas in Mr. DAVIS' preamble, is as follows:

Whereas, FRANK P. BLAIR, a Major-General of Volunteers, was nominated and appointed by the President of the United States with the advice and consent of the Senate, and on the first day of January, 1864, tendered his resignation of said office of Major-General, which resignation was accepted by order of the President on January 12, 1864; and

Whereas, The said FRANK P. BLAIR afterward, on the 12th day of January, 1864, appeared and was qualified as a member of the House, and entered upon the duties thereof; and

Whereas, The Constitution expressly declares that no person holding office under the United States shall be a member of either House during his continuance in office: therefore, be it

Resolved, That the said FRANK P. BLAIR, by the tender and acceptance of his resignation, and by appearing, and qualifying, and becoming a member of the House, ceased to be a Major-General in the volunteer service of the United States, and is not entitled to the rank and emoluments of that office.

RELIEF OF OFFICERS' WIDOWS.

The bills for the relief of MARY E. BAKER, widow of Gen. E. M. BAKER, and for the relief of the widows of Maj.-Gen. E. P. WHIPPLE and Brig.-Gen. HIRAM G. BERRY, granting them each a pension of fifty dollars per month during their widowhood, were passed.

OCEAN MAIL SERVICE TO BRAZIL.

The Senate, on motion of Mr. COLLAMER, considered the House bill authorizing the establishment of ocean mail service between the United States and Brazil.

Mr. WILKINSON, of Minnesota, (Union,) offered an amendment including the Venezuelean Government in the contract.

Mr. COLLAMER, of Vermont, (Union,) opposed this, as a measure defeating the original enterprise.

The amendment of Mr. WILKINSON was ordered to be printed.

Further consideration of the bill was postponed.

THE PAY OF SOLDIERS.

Mr. WILSON called up the Senate bill to equalize the pay of soldiers in the United States army, with with the amendments of the House thereto, together with the report of the Senate Military Committee thereon. The following were adopted: To strike out the first section of the amendment of the House, and insert as follows: "That on, and after the 1st day of May, 1864, and during the continuance of the present rebellion, the pay per month of non-commissioned officers and privaterin the Regular army and Volunteer and drafted forces in the army of the United States, shall be a follows, viz.—Sergeant-majors, $26.; quartermaster-sergeants of cavalry and artillery, $23, and of Infantry, $20; first sergeants of cavalry, artillery and infantry, $24; sergeants of cavalry, artillery and infantry, $30; sergeants of ordnance, sappers and miners, and pontooners, $34; corporals of ordnance, sappers and miners, and pontooners, 20; privates, first class, of the same corps, $18; and of the second class, $16; corporals of cavalry, artillery and infantry, $18; chief buglers of cavalry, $23; buglers, $16; farriers and blacksmiths of cavalry and artificers of artillery, $18; privates of cavalry, artillery and infantry, $16; principal musicians of artillery and infantry, $22; musicians of artillery and infantry, and musicians of sappers and miners and pontooners, $16; hospital stewards of the first class, $33; hospital stewards of the second class, $25; hospital stewards of the third class, $23.

After the second section of the amendment of the House insert the following:

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted, &c.*, That hereafter rations shall not be issued to soldiers sick in hospital, but commutation of rations shall be allowed and paid into the hospital funds at the rate now established by law for each soldier reported by the Surgeon in charge as sick in the hospital; and, therefore, the receipt of the Surgeon in charge shall be a sufficient voucher for the Paymaster or other disbursing officer who may be charged with the payment of such commutation.

Provided, That the hospital fund shall be devoted solely to the diet and maintenance of the sick and wounded soldiers in such hospital; and

Provided, further, That the Surgeon-General shall, with the approval of the Secretary of War, establish regulations for the accountability of medical officers having charge of hospital funds; and any officer who shall appropriate to his own use, or misapply any portion of a hospital fund, or who shall make any false report of the number of soldiers sick in hospital, shall, on conviction be punished as a court-martial or military commission may direct.

Without further action on the bill the Senate at 5 o'clock adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, Monday, May 16.

THE OLIVE BRANCH AGAIN.

Mr. DAWSON, of Pennsylvania, (Dem.,) offered resolutions to the effect that, as had been declared by Congress in 1861, the war was not conducted for purposes of subjugation or conquest, but to restore the supremacy of the Constitution and the Union, therefore it was highly proper that in the hour of triumph and exultation of victory, we should tender the olive branch of peace as an exchange for the sword, and that the President be required to make a proclamation of amnesty to any State which would lay down its arms, and withdraw from the rebellion, with a guarantee that such State should be left to reorganize and determine its own institutions, without dictation or interference from the Government of the United States.

Mr. AMOS MYERS, of Pennsylvania, (Union,) moved to lay the resolution on the table, on which the yeas were 76 and nays 53.

A CONTRABAND DIFFICULTY.

Mr. GRINNELL, of Iowa, (Union,) offered a resolution requesting the Secretary of War to inform the House by what authority Brig.-Gen. J. M. HUBBELL, Military Commandant of the city of Natchez, issued an order which forbids contrabands remaining in the city of Natchez, unless employed by some responsible white person, and forbidding any contraband from hiring or occupying any house in that city, under which regulation hundreds of the wives and children of soldiers in the field had been turned out of their homes. Which was agreed to.

THE CASE OF COMMODORE WILKES.

Mr. H. WINTER DAVIS, of Maryland, (Union,) introduced a resolution requesting the Secretary of the Navy to forward to this House the proceeds, findings and sentence in the case of Commodore CHARLES WILKES, which was agreed to.

THE COLLECTION OF ABANDONED PROPERTY.

Mr. ELDRIDGE, of Wisconsin, (Dem.,) offered a resolution, which was agreed to, by which the Judiciary Committee is directed to inquire and report to the House by what authority the act in relation to the collection of abandoned property was approved March 12, 1863, and whether it is in force as a valid law.

THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

Mr. Cox, of Ohio (Dem.), offered the following, which was agreed to:

Resolved, That the Judiciary Committee be directed to take into consideration the propriety of reporting a bill providing for the decision of any questions which may arise as to the regularity and authenticity of the returns of the electoral votes for President and Vice-President of the United States. The rights of the persons who casts the votes, the manner in which they ought to be counted, and that such law provide for the jurisdiction as well as the course of proceeding in cases of real controversies.

THE PEOPLE'S PACIFIC RAILROAD.

Mr. STEVENS, of Pennsylvania, (Union,) moved to take from the Speaker's table and consider the Bill granting lands to the People's Pacific Railroad Company, to aid in building a railroad and telegraph lines by the Northern route to the Pacific.

An amendment was offered by Mr. HOLMAN, of Indiana, which was agreed to, providing that the road to be built shall transport the troops, mails, etc., of the United States free of charge.

Mr. WILSON, of Iowa, and others opposed any action upon this bill at the present time, contending that the House had not sufficient information in regard to the matter to vote away fifty millions of acres of the public lands.

Mr. SWEAT, of Maine, (Dem.,) explained and defended the bill, contending that unless speedy and liberal action was taken toward this company, the railroad would be built on British territory and be a British road.

Mr. SLOAN, of Wisconsin, (Union,) moved an amendment that if the fifty miles of the road to be built within three years by the terms of the bill be not completed within six months after the expiration of that time, the lands hereby granted shall revert to the Government. This was agreed to.

Mr. DONNELLY, of Minnesota, (Union,) agrued a length in favor of the passage of the bill, on the ground that unless the coutry was opened up by railroads it would remain unimproved, and the Government lands absolutely without value.

Mr. STEVENS, of Pennsylvania, said he was surprised at the quarters from which it came. Unless we build this road these lands will never be occupied until the forests are consumed by the last great fire. He replied to the arguments against giving away these lands, on the ground that they should be retained in order to afford revenue to the Government. It was shallow statesmanship to hold these lands and prevent their development. It was thrifty, substantial States we want, from which to derive revenue; and these could only be developed by opening up the country to settlers.

On the passage of the bill the vote was, yeas 55, nays 66.

The bill appropriating $240,000 for the erection of public buildings in certain Territories was taken up, but, without action, postponed for one week.

PRINTING THE DEBATES OF CONGRESS.

The bill in regard to the printing of the debates of Congress, appropriating money for the purchase of back copies of the *Congressional Globe* and appendix, and for a continuance of the publication of such reports was taken up.

Mr. CLARK, of New-York, (Union,) demanded the previous question.

Mr. H. WINTER DAVIS, of Maryland, (Union,) moved to lay the bill on the table, which was not agreed to. On the passage of the bill the vote stood yeas 76, nays 26.

The House, at 4 o'clock, adjourned.

ONE DAY LATER FROM EUROPE.

Arrival of the Hibernian Off Father Point.

FATHER POINT, Monday, May 16.

The steamship *Hibernian*, from Liverpool May 5, via Londonderry, the 6th, en route to Quebec, passed Father Point this evening. Her advices are one day later than those by the *City of London* received at New-York.

The steamship *Etna*, from New-York, arrived at Queenstown on the 5th.

GENERAL NEWS.

There had been no movement in Denmark.

It was considered that the Conference had come to an untimely end. The *Times* thinks it may as well be abandoned.

Two British ships had gone to the North Sea to watch the Austrian fleet. It was believed that the whole channel fleet would follow, should the Austrians enter the Baltic.

The *Morning Post* is very warlike toward Prussia and Austria.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, May 6.

COTTON—The Brokers' Circular reports sales of the week at 98,000 bales, of which 28,000 were to speculators and 14,500 to exporters. Market opened at an advance of ⅛d.@⅜d., but the advance was subsequently nearly all lost under the action of the Bank of England. The sales to-day (Friday) are only 5,000 bales, including 1,500 to speculators and exporters, the market closing flat at Thursday's quotations, which are as follows:

Middling Orleans, 28d.; Middling Mobiles, 27⅛d.; Middling Uplands, 27¾d.

The stock in port is estimated at 356,000 bales, of which 24,500 bales are American.

BREADSTUFFS are firmer and all descriptions a trifle higher owing to the warlike symptoms.

PROVISIONS steady.

PETROLEUM tends downward.

LONDON, Friday, May 6.

Consols for Money 90⅝@90⅝.

Illinois Central Shares 26@24 discount. Erie Shares 58@60.

The Bullion in the Bank of England, has decreased 113,500 pounds sterling.

Evening Exchange.

$45,000 Am. Gold	176¾	600	Clev. & Pitts		114⅝
500 N. Y. Cen. R.	135	200	do		114⅝
2400 Erie R.	114⅝	200	do		114⅝
100 do	114⅝	200	Cle. & Tol. R.		148⅜
100 do	b3 114⅜	100	Gal. & C. R.		131⅜
200 do	b3 114⅜	200	do		132½
100 Hudson Riv. R.	141⅜	150	Chi. & Rock Isl.		114⅜
300 do	141¾	100	do	s3	114⅜
200 Reading R.	138⅜	100	do		114⅜
100 Mich. Cen. R.	144	400	do		114⅜
200 M. S. & N. I.	99	100	Chi. & N. W. R.		58⅜
600 do	b3 99	400	do		58¾
200 do	98¾	50	Chi. & N. W. Pref.		83
100 do	b3 98⅝	100	Mil. & P. du Ch. R.		68⅜
100 M. S. & N. I. R. G. S.	139	300	Pitts. F. W. & C.		118
700 Ill. Cen. R.	s3 132	400	do		118⅜
100 do	b3 132½	100	do		118⅜
500 Bucks Co. Lead	1⅜	10,000	Ohio & Miss. C.		65⅜
100 do	1⅜	100	Cum. Coal		63⅜

Drivers' Strike on the City Railroads.

The strike on the City Railroads, yesterday, caused considerable excitement, inasmuch as a riot was anticipated during the whole day; and to such an extent had the dread of the people arisen, that there was no knowing where the matter would end. It was found necessary during the day to have police officers placed in the cars of the Seventh, Eighth and Yinth avenues. However, at 8 o'clock, the cars belonging to the whole three above-mentioned avenues were stopped, although Mr. GEORGE LAW and Col. MAY acquiesced with the wishes of their drivers during the day.

The owners of the Sixth-avenue not complying with the terms of the men equally with Mr. LAW and Col. MAY, they exerted their influence with the drivers of the Seventh, Eighth and Ninth avenues, the result of which was that no cars were in requisition from 9 o'clock last evening, nor during the night. On making inquiry into the whole affair at a meeting held last evening, the drivers stated that they were well satisfied with what Mr. LAW had granted them, but that they had been prevented from discharging their duties through the stubbornness of the Sixth-avenue men, who had pledged themselves not to drive for that line until they were allowed the same privileges and indulgences which Mr. LAW had granted to his drivers, namely: $2 per day and eleven hours' work, instead of having to work fifteen hours.

As matters now stand, it is very palpable that the cars on these lines of road must remain as they are, which will be a great public loss to the traveling community. To-day, however, may cause things to assume a more pleasing and satisfactory aspect.

The following General Order was issued at Police Headquarters yesterday by Superintendent KENNEDY:

TELEGRAPHIC GENERAL ORDERS No. 370.—During the continuance of the present troubles on the City Railroads, the convenience and accommodation of the public must be the paramount consideration. You will, therefore, instruct your men not to make, nor suffer others to make, any arrests of car drivers on the charge of driving without license, unless it be a warrant duly issued by competent authority; and when any such arrest is made under authority of warrant, the person ordered to be arrested will be permitted to complete his trip back to the depot of his road.

J. A. KENNEDY,
Superintendent Metropolitan Police.

ANTI-LUXURY CONVENTION.

Meeting of Ladies at the Cooper Union.

In response to a call, issued by the ladies of the Executive Committee of the Metropolitan Fair, a very large meeting was held yesterday afternoon at Cooper Union for the purpose of calling the attention of women to the injury inflicted upon the country in this crisis by the extravagant purchase of imported luxuries, and to suggest the propriety of abstaining from such luxuries until the present crisis is past. On motion of PETER COOPER, Esq., President KING was elected Chairman of the meeting. On taking the Chair Dr. KING remarked that it had seldom been his good fortune to preside over a meeting called together to promote so good a cause. It has been called to discuss a point which has always been supposed to be very dear to the female heart-dress. Yet it has always been said that women dress to please the men; and when we of the sterner sex ask them for the sake of the Union to appear in a simple dress, becoming to an American women at this crisis, they will appear more lovely in our eyes than if they were decked in all the splendor of royalty.

At the conclusion of President KING's brief remarks, prayer was offered by Dr. VINTON. The Chairman then introduced PETER COOPER, who remarked that the object of the meeting was the formation of a Union—a Union which is intended to commend itself to the intelligent heart of every patriotic lady of our country. At a time like this, when all our hopes for freedom for ourselves, and for our posterity, are threatened with destruction by the vilest despotism that ever disgraced a civilized nation, at such a time it is honorable to the ladies to join in a union of effort for the good of the country. Mr. COOPER enlarged upon the necessity of the Union of all good influences for the furtherance of the principles of justice and liberty in our country and the rest of the world, and for the overthrow of Slavery. No Union, he went on to say, would be stronger than a Union formed by ladies. The ladies alway rule, and when they combine for such a purpose as that set forth in the call for this meeting, when all the resources of the country are needed to save the nation, they must be successful, and will save us from the evils of unrestrained prodigality.

The next speaker was

DR. HITCHCOCK.

Three years ago, said he, the object of this meeting would have been a theme for debate; but the great cause in which we are engaged has passed through the reign of controversy. It is no longer a matter for debate. It is settled forever. The Providence of God has influenced the heart of the people with the conviction that our glorious republic, baptized by the blood of our fathers, shall be transmitted to our children more glorious than it was transmitted to us. We are not for a moment to entertain the question whether we shall or shall not sacrifice our wealth, ourselves to our country. We have already laid ourselves on the alter of our country; and we have came here only to consider the question of ways and means—not whether we shall do, but *how* shall we do! We would not insult the American woman by praising her readiness to retrench, to sacrifice personal comfort and luxury for the sake of the country. The war has a spiritual and a material aspect, a soul and a body. The soul is the faith of the people in the ultimate success of the efforts to put down the rebellion; the body, was the people. The familiar phrase "*the sinews of war*," was as ancient as DEMOSTHENES. The old Greek warriors were also made up of bone and muscle. The life-blood of war was gold; and the object of the meeting was not to inaugurate a QUIXOTIC crusade against importations of all kinds, but to guard against that excess of importations over exportations, which drained the country of its yellow blood.

The question may be viewed in another aspect. There are too many crippled soldiers in our streets, too many coffins had been borne along our highways, with the warrior's sword laid upon them—we have heard too many sighs from breaking hearts—for us to look with patience on magnificence and luxury. What true lady can sweep the streets with costly dresses, when these streets are full of funeral trains? It is indecent, shameful and a source of sorrow to the brave men who have sacrificed everything for their country, that the people who remain at home do not lead more sober and earnest lives. We propose to lay no heavy cross on those whom God has not smitten. We do not ask yon to dress in sackcloth, but in sober habiliments, suited to the gravity of the times. Can we not, in God's name, be sober and earnest in this crisis, while our brethren are dying on the field of battle?

The next speaker was

WILLIAM E. DODGE, ESQ.

He spoke eloquently of the object of the meeting, and paid a deserved compliment to the readiness of the American women to make every sacrifice that the interests of the nation demand. He would not accuse the ladies only of extravagance; the men were as culpable in their way, and he thought that if the ladies were called upon to lay aside their silks and satins, the men should give up their wines and cigars, fast horses, &c. (The ladies received this list with manfest delight, and applauded the speaker for several minutes.) You seem to think, resumed Mr. DODGE, that you've got the men now; but is it so? How about the champagne at the last party? Didn't you rather press that matter upon papa? Mr. DODGE went on te say that nothing more was asked than a reduction in extravagance. He read a letter from a manufacturer in Manchester, N. H., on the subject of domestic goods, of which patterns were to be seen at the platform.

The meeting was afterward addressed by Dr. VINTON and Dr. KIRK.

The Chairman of the meeting then stated that a pledge had been prepared for circulation among the audience, and that any who chose to do so might sign it.

At this moment Dr. KIRK said that he feared the influence of the pledge in Europe, where the manufacturers were ever on the alert for some cause of quarrel with this country. He had proposed a more cautiously-worded pledge, warranted not to give offence. Dr. ADAMS also had another version prepared. The Chairman put Dr. KIRK's pledge to vote, and though the parties seemed to be pretty evenly balanced, declared it carried. A scene of great confusion immediately took place. The 2,000 ladies in the hall all began to speak at once—some at the Chairman, some at each other, and as many as were near the platform, at the reporters. In the midst of the hubbub a few voices demanded that the gentlemen should retire from the platform, alleging that they were the sole cause of the disagreement. At this juncture of affairs

MISS SUSAN B. ANTHONY

of Rochester, N. Y., came forward on the platform and made a few remarks, to the effect that the disagreement was on account of the indefiniteness of the pledge. This seemed to be the sense of the meeting, and the gentlemen who had occupied the platform, after counseling the ladies not to let their enemies and the enemies of the country have it in their power to say that the meeting could not agree upon a matter so vital to the welfare of the nation, withdrew and left the ladies to themselves. The committee soon prepared the following pledge:

"We, the undersigned, during the continuance of this war of rebellion, pledge ourselves to refrain from the purchase of imported articles of luxury, when those of home manufacture or production can conveniently be substituted."

This was carried by a small majority, a large number of ladies thinking it not sufficiently stringent. The reporters were told by ladies of the committee that are cause of the want of unanimity was the presence of a large number of importers, who seized the favorable opportunity to create a divergence of sentiment.

The ladies of the Executive Committee of the Metropolitan Fair request the publication of the following notice:

The Executive Committee of the Metropolitan Fair, having discharged the duty which they undertook in regard to the movement against imported luxuries, now retire from the control of it, and leave it to be organized and carried forward by others. The book for the names will be at No. 2 Great Jones-street.

Returning Veterans.

The Seventy-ninth Regiment New-York Volunteers, Highlanders, left Washington last evening, and will be received by the Caledonian Club at Pier No. 2 North River, this morning, at 10 o'clock. On Wednesday, escorted by the Twenty-second, Fifty-fifth and Sixty-ninth Regiments, they will be reviewed by the Mayor and Common Council, after which a grand dinner will be given them by the authorities.

This is one of the three militia regiments which left this State for two years; but finding, at the expiration of their term of enlistment, that the Government was unwilling to part with them, they nobly remained another year. They were in the battles of First Bull Run, James Island, Antietam and Fredericksburgh, after which they went to Kentucky—from there to Mississippi, taking part in the siege of Vicksburgh; thence to Jackson, thence back again to Kentucky, taking part in the East Tennessee expedition under BURNSIDE, after which they joined the Army of the Potomac, and were in the battles of the Wilderness and Spottsylvania Courthouse.

In every battle they have behaved with the utmost bravery and they now return to us crowned with glory. It is to be hoped their reception will be worthy of of one of the bravest and most gallant regiments that ever left this City.

PERSONAL.—WILLIAM E. CRAMER, Esq., editor and proprietor of the Milwaukee *Daily Wisconsin*, is at the Metropolitan.

GENERAL MARKETS.

NEW-YORK, Monday, May 16, 1864—6 P. M.

The receipts of the principal kinds of Produce since our last have been 55 bbls. Ashes, 20,923 bbls. Flour, 67 bbls. and 816 bags Corn Meal, 158,168 bushels Wheat, 26,927 bushels Oats, 6,500 bushels Malt, 4,514 pkgs. Provisions, and 1,433 bbls. Whisky.

ASHES—Are in demand, at $9 50 for Pots and $11 75 for Pearls, ℔ 100 lbs.

COFFEE—Continues in limited request, at irregular prices. We quote Java at 50c.; Laguayra and Maracaibo at 41c.@43c.; Rio at 42c.@45c.; St. Domingo at 37c.@38c. ℔ lb.

COTTON—Continues quiet at former prices. Strict Middlings at 84c.@85c. Sales and resales since our last, 1,100 bales.

FLOUR AND MEAL—State and Western Flour has been in more demand to day, at an advance of about 10c. ℔ bbl. Sales since our last, 13,850 bbls., including Superfine State and Western at $6 60@$6 90; poor to choice Extra State at $7 @$7 45, chiefly at $7 10@$7 25; round-hoop Extra Ohio, inferior to good shipping brands, at $7 25@$7 50 ℔ bbl.

Superfine State and Western	$6 60@$6 90
Extra State	7 00@ 7 45
Extra Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, &c.	7 00@ 9 00
Extra Ohio, round-hoop, ship-brands	7 25@ 7 50
Extra Ohio, trade and family brands	7 55@ 9 00
Extra Geneseo	7 45@ 9 00
Poor to choice Extra Missouri	7 45@10 75

Southern Flour is doing better; sales since our last, 1,500 bbls., at $7 30@$7 80 for poor to good, $7 85@$10 50 for fancy to choice extra brands, ℔ bbl. Canadian Flour is in fair demand and firmer; sales, 900 bbls. Extra, $7@$8 25 ℔ bbl. Rye Flour is in demand at $5 40@$6 75 ℔ bbl.; sales 200 bbls. Corn Meal is in good demand, at $6 35@$6 40 for Jersey, and $6 75 for Brandywine, ℔ bbl. Total sales, 800 bbls.

GRAIN—Wheat has been in brisk demand to-day chiefly for export, and prices of desirable lots have advanced about 3c. ℔ bushel. Sales have been made since our last of 235,000 bushels, part to arrive, including Canada Club at $1 50@$1 51; White Western at $1 80; Amber Western at $1 67@$1 70; Red Western at $1 63@$1 67; Amber Iowa, Wisconsin and Green Bay at $1 58@$1 61, and one lot reported as high as $1 62; Milwaukee Club, $1 55@$1 59; Chicago Spring, $1 53@$1 58; Red State at $1 60@$1 62 per bushel. Corn is scarce, and in demand at higher prices; sales have been reported since our last of 11,000 bushels, at $1 44½@$1 45 for mixed Western, in store and afloat. ℔ bushel. Rye is in request at $1 45@$1 50, ℔ bushel. Oats have been in fair request, at irregular prices. We quote Canada at 88c.@90c.; Western at 90c.@91c.; State at 89c.@91c., cash, ℔ bushel. Barley is in limited demand at former rates. Barley Malt continues in demand at $1 55@$1 60.

HAY—North River is in fair demand, at $1 45@$1 75 ℔ 100 lbs.

PROVISIONS—Pork has been in less demand and much depressed. Sales since our last, 7,500 bbls., at $26 75@$27, chiefly $27, for New Mess; $27 for May, about $28 for June, and equal to $28 50 for July delivery; $25 75@$26 25 for Old Mess; $27 for Prime Mess; $27 for Thin Mess, and $22 75@$24 for Old and New Prime, ℔ bbl. Cut Meats continue dull and heavy at 14c.@15¾c. for Hams, and 11¼c.@12c. for Shoulders ℔ lb. Bacon continues inactive at 13c.@15c., according to quality, ℔ lb. Lard is in fair demand and firm; sales since our last 2,300 tierces and bbls., for immediate and future delivery, at 12¾c.@14c. ℔ lb. Beef is inactive at former rates; sales 300 bbls. at $19@$20 for extra Mess; $15@$18 for Prime Mess ℔ bbl.; Prime Mess, $27@$29; India Mess, $29@$33 ℔ tierce. Butter is less plenty and in demand at 30c.@37c. for poor to choice State; 26c.@34c. for Western ℔ lb. Cheese continues in moderate request at 13c.@18c. ℔ lb.

SUGARS—Have been in limited demand, at about previous prices. Sales since our last, 180 hhds., including New-Orleans, at 17¾c.@17¾c.; Cuba at 16¾c.@17¾c., ℔ lb. Refined Sugars continue quiet at 17¾c.@ 24c. ℔ lb.

TALLOW—Sales since our last, 325,000 lbs., at 13¼c.13¾c., chiefly 13¼c., ℔ lb.

WHISKY—Has been in good demand, at rising prices. Sales since our last, 3,800 bbls., in lots, including State, at $1 27@$1 28, and Western at $1 28@$1 30½, closing heavily.

FREIGHTS—The principal engagements to-day, have been of Flour and Wheat for British ports. For Liverpool, 500 bbls. Flour at 1s. 9d.; 80,000 bushels Wheat at 6d.@6½d., in bulk and bags; 28,000 bushels do., (by steamer,) at 6d.; 250 bbls. Pork at 2s. 3d.; also, by steamer, 900 bales Cotton at ½d.; 100 boxes Bacon and 250 trcs. Lard at 27s. 6d., and 100 boxes Cheese at 30s. For London 7,500 bbls. Flour at 2s. For Glasgow, 7,000 bushels Wheat at 6½d. For Cork and orders, 36,000 bushels Wheat at 6s. 6d., and a British vessel, with a full cargo of do., reported at 7s. For Bremen, 150 hhds. Tobacco at 20s.; 60 casks Oil and 50 casks Ashes at 15s.; 500 bbls. Shoe Pegs at 1s. 9d. For Antwerp, 310 trcs. Lard at 22s. 6d.; 500 bbls. Petroleum at 5s. 9d.

MARRIED.

BURGE—SCHNEIDER.—At St. John's Church, Yonkers, on Thursday, May 12, by Rev. A. E. Carter, D. D., assisted by Rev. L. Burge, J. H. HOBART BURGE, M. D., of Brooklyn, N. Y., to Miss LOUISE SCHNEIDER, of Hamburg, Germany, niece of F. Probst, Esq., Yonkers, N. Y. No cards.

LAPERE—BELLAMY.—On Monday, Feb. 22, by Rev. J. C. Dutcher, Mr. WILLIAM LAPERE to Miss KATE A., daughter of the late Thomas Bellamy, of this City.

MEAD—MARTIN.—In Walpole, N. H., on Thursday, May 12, at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. Mr. Stowe, CHARLES L. MEAD, of Brattleboro, Vt., to BELLE, daughter of Oliver Martin, Esq.

VAN VLECK—PULTZ.—On Thursday, May 12, at Hudson, by Rev. Mr. Johnson, Mr. ROBERT B. VAN VLECK to Miss LIZZIE A. PULTZ, all of Hudson. No cards.

DIED.

BARLOW.—On Sunday morning, May 15, of disease of the heart, JOSEPHINE M., wife of Frederick C. Barlow, and daughter of John S. Norris.

The relatives and friends of the families, and those of her brother-in-law, E. W. Simonds, are respectfully invited to attend the funeral service on Tuesday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, from her late residence, No. 156 Barrow-st. The remains will be taken to Blauvelt's ville, Rockland County, on Wednesday morning. Train leaves Jersey City Ferry at 9 o'clock.

BROWER.—On Sabbath evening, May 15, MORGAN L. S. BROWER, in his 28th year, of the firm of J. H. Brower & Co., of this City.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, the 18th inst., at Rev. Mr. Van Dyke's Church, corner of Remsen and Clinton sts., Brooklyn, at 3 o'clock precisely, at which the relatives and friends of the family, the President and Faculty of Columbia College, and the members of the Class of 1857, are respectfully invited to attend.

BENEDICT.—On Monday morning, May 16, NELLY, only daughter of Coleman and Mary A. Benedict, aged 2 years and 7 months.

Friends and relatives are invited to attend her funeral, from the residence of her parents, No. 126 Lafayette-av., Brooklyn, on Wednesday, the 18th inst., at 3 P. M.

BACON.—Suddenly, in this City, of disease of the heart, on Saturday, May 14, MARSHAL S. BACON, son of the late John F. Bacon, in the 53d year of his age.

HALSEY.—In Orange, N. J., on Sunday, May 15, of consumption, MARY CHARLOTTE, beloved wife of Jacob L. Halsey, and youngest daughter of the late Gen. Thomas W. Harvey, aged 32 years.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend her funeral on Tuesday, May 17, at 1 o'clock P. M., at her late residence, Harrison-st. The Morris and Essex Railroad trains for Brick Church Station, Orange, leave foot of Barclay-st. at 11¾ A. M., returning at 3.19 P. M.

IRVING.—At Morristown, N. J., on Saturday evening, May 14, WILLIAM SKIDMORE, son of Rev. David and Elizabeth Irving, in the 10th year of his age.

The funeral service will be held in the First Presbyterian Church, Morristown, this (Tuesday) morning, at 11 o'clock. The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. The Morris and Essex Railroad train will leave foot of Barclay-st., N. Y., at 9¾ A. M., and return at 3¾ P. M. The remains will be conveyed to Greenwood on Wednesday morning for interment.

LANSING.—On Monday, May 9, at the residence of her son-in-law, Robert H. Boyd, Watertown, Jefferson County, N. Y., JANE ANN NEWKIRK, widow of Abraham Ten Eyck Lansing, of Herkimer County, and daughter of the late Maj.-Gen. Samuel Stewart, of Saratoga County, aged 65 years.

☞ Albany, Herkimer and Saratoga County papers please copy.

LEWIS.—On Sunday, May 15, CORNELIA M. LEWIS, wife of Isaac Lewis, aged 48 years.

The relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral services, on Wednesday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, at the house of her son-in-law, Wm. H. H. Moore, No. 22 East 33d-st.

PERRY.—In Waynmanville, Upson County, Ga., on the 30th of December last, DWIGHT R. PERRY, eldest son of the late Hon. Dwight R. Perry, of New-Bedford, Mass., and brother of Mrs. Almon W. Griswold, of this City.

SHELDON.—At New-Orleans, on Thursday, May 5, of cholera infantum, LAWRENCE SENEY, only child of Dr. H. Lawrence and Emma Bartow Sheldon, U. S. A.

☞ Hartford papers please copy.

STAPLES.—WRIGHT STAPLES, First Lieut. 11th U. S. Infantry, eldest son Wm. J. Staples, of this City, aged 24 years.

He was killed in the battle of the Wilderness on Thursday, the 5th inst., leaving a sick bed in the field hospital to join his regiment in action, against the urgent remonstrances of a brother officer who met him on the way, and shortly afterward fell, mortally wounded, while in command of a party of skirmishers.

SWAN.—Killed in a recent battle in Virginia, Lieut. CARLEY SWAN, First New-Jersey Volunteers, aged 29 years.

WILLETS.—On Monday, 16th inst., WILLIAM V. WILLETS, aged 32 years.

Services will be held at the house of his brother, Amos Willets, Kent, near Myrtle-av., Brooklyn, this (Tuesday) afternoon, at 5 o'clock. The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend. The remains will be conveyed to Hempstead, L. I., for interment, Wednesday morning.

☞ The remains of Capt. CHARLES E. MORTON, Fourteenth New-York Cavalry, who died at New-Orleans, will be interred in the family vault, in the Marble Cemetery, 2d-st., between 1st and 2d avs., on Wednesday, 18th, at 11 o'clock A. M.

MINIATURE ALMANAC—THIS DAY.

Sun rises	4 42	Sun sets	7 11
Moon sets	2 17		

HIGH WATER—THIS DAY.

Sandy Hook	4 02	Gov. Island	4 51
Hell Gate	6 13		

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

NEW-YORK....MONDAY, May 16.

Cleared.

Steamship Labuan, (Br.,) Hargett, Liverpool, Funch, Meincke & Wendt.

Steamer Martha Stevens, Chance, Baltimore; Tacony, Pierce, Philadelphia, Loper & Kirkpatrick.

Ships Wm. Leavitt, (Br.,) Leavitt, Acapulco, Mex., J. W. Elwell & Co.; Victoria, Champion, London, R. E. Morgan.

Barks Laura Ross, Brown, Boston, Brett, Son & Co.; Montezuma, Hammond, Barbados, T. T. Dwight & Co.; Jane A. Bishop, (Br.,) Downey, Matamoras, J. E. Ward & Co.; Flesies, (Brem.,) Hayn, Montevideo and Buenos Ayres, John Morton, Jr.; Guiding Star, (Hamb.,) Maas, Shanghai, Sloman & Edye; Topeka, (Br.,) Sundberg, Cienfuegos, J. E. Ward; Bourse d'Anders, (Belg.,) Casis, Antwerp, Funch, Meincke & Wendt.

Brigs Mersey, (Br.,) Ford, Matamoras, Brett, Son & Co.; Jesse Raymas, Pendleton, Picton, N. S., Walsh & Carver; Nadischa, (Swed.,) Pyk, Antwerp, Funch, Meincke & Wendt; Albur, (Swed.,) Tourquist, Havre, Funch, Meincke & Wendt; Teres

of the Paris elections could have been known before the close of the polls in the provinces, the stimulus given to the Liberal party would have been such as to cause many more Government defeats. But, the elections being simultaneous all over the country, this could not be. As it was, almost all the great towns were carried by the Opposition. Marseilles, Lyons, Nantes, Lille, &c., returned Liberal members, and Bordeaux—where the most unscrupulous means were resorted to by the Prefect—only returned the Government candidate by a measuring cast majority. The result of the elections was that the historical minority of "five," which did battle for freedom in the Corps Legislatif, was increased to upward of thirty. Even numerically speaking, this augmentation was of immense importance, but the moral effect was infinitely greater. There is no doubt that M. DE PERSIGNY and other Ministers, advised the Emperor to take the bull by the horns, and try another *coup d'état*. They told him that his liberal decrees of '61 and '62 were a mistake; that the liberal movement which had now assumed such alarming proportions would assuredly go on unless boldly put a stop to, and that its continuance would be incompatible with his dynasty. A plan was actually on foot for disfranchising Paris, on the ground that it was a notorious hot-bed of revolution, and that its prosperity being owing to central expenditure produced by taxes paid by the whole country, it was not fair that the Capital should exercise a preponderating political influence. It was argued, with some plausibility, that the reasons used to justify the deprivation of Paris of an elective Municipal Council, and the administration of the immense city funds by the Emperor's nominees, would equally justify the political disfranchisement of Paris—and in sooth, for that matter, so I think they would. But the Emperor was too wise to listen to these sophisms. He felt that a great lesson had been given him by his people; and although he did not like it, and took no pains to conceal his ill-humor and disappointment in private conversation, yet he felt that the lesson must not be disregarded. So instead of making a *coup d'état*, he dismissed M. DE PERSIGNY, and resolved to put up with his new Parliament.

A long vacation followed. Upon the principle of putting off the evil day, the Emperor (just as he had allowed the old Parliament to expire by effluxion of time, although it was strongly urged by the liberal press that the decrees of '61 and '62, ought logically to have been followed by a dissolution,) refrained from convening the new Corps Legislatif until the very eve of the expiration of the six months' delay allowed by law.

The *vérification des pouvoirs*, i. e., the scrutiny as to the validity of the elections, laid bare the system of impudent fraud and palpable illegality, which, since Dec. 2, 1851, has rendered all elections a farce. It was proved that the laws for protecting the secrecy of the ballot-box were habitually disregarded in the country districts. The Mayors opened the poll before the legal hour, in order to make their own creatures scrutineers, and to exclude independent electors from all possibility of surveillance. They neglected to provide locks for the ballot-box, and instead of leaving it during the night in legal custody, constantly took it home to their own houses. It was distinctly proven, in some cases, that Mayors took opposition votes out of the box, and put those of Government candidates in. And there is every presumption that this kind of thing must have happened very often, because there was nothing to prevent it—because the orders of the Prefects to the Mayors were in effect that their duty was to succeed at any rate, and because the code of official morality inculcated by the *coup d'état* was thoroughly corrupt and dishonest. These things were often suspected before, but never so fully proved as now. And yet—(I have it from the mouth of members of the Chamber)—the Opposition abstained, from prudential considerations, from exposing more than a mere sample of the frauds of which they had abundant proofs. They well knew that the majority would never condemn the means by which they themselves were elected, and they feared to provoke the Government to resort to the recommended *coup d'état*, if it should be pressed too hard.

The substantial success of the Opposition was that it obtained from the Ministerial Bench such a disavowal of the malpractices in question that they can never be resorted to again, to the same extent, at least, as they have been heretofore.

The *vérification des pouvoirs* lasted till Christmas, and the debate on the address did not come on till after New-Year's day. The bench of ministerial orators had sustained an irreparable loss in the death of M. BILLAULT, the only man in the Government ranks capable of doing battle with such parliamentary *athletes* as THIERS, BERRYER and JULES FAVRE. M. ROUHER, the new Minister of State, a good administrator and a sound political economist, proved himself lamentably unequal to his task as a parliamentary speaker. He lost his temper when attacked by the Opposition, threatened that the Emperor might, perhaps, withdraw the liberty which he had given, and made a now celebrated but unhappy comparison, because it betrays a want of confidence in that universal suffrage upon which the empire is based, between the Opposition members and the destructive insect called the *termite*, (white ant,) which silently and unsuspectedly undermines an edifice, until one day it falls with a crash.

The Duke de MORNY, who by the Emperor's appointment presides in the Assembly, is a man of tact and sound judgment, and can be gentlemanly when he likes. Toward the "five," in the last Parliament, he often acted the part of a bully, roughly interrupting them and hounding on a servile majority to put them down by clamor. But he felt that in the face of men so much his superiors as THIERS and BERRYER, who even their opponents desired to hear, were it from mere curiosity, such conduct would not answer, and therefore he overwhelmed them with civility. They both made speeches, which produced a great effect upon the country and strengthened the Liberal movement. Of course, I do not forget that the Opposition is by no means homogeneous, and that the Legitimist BERRYER, the Orleanist THIERS, the Republican EUGENE PELLETAN, and the revolutionary BONAPARTIST GUEROULT, could not act together in any ministry. But they are all agreed in this, that liberty is the one great thing to be struggled for at present. Their coalition tends to that object alone, and the very differences which exist among them as to ulterior views is one of the strongest reasons why the Empire, if wisely advised, might safely grant the liberty desired.

The recent elections for two districts in Paris consequent upon the option of MM. JULES FAVRE and HAVIN to sit for country places, in which they were also returned, have annoyed the Government even more than the general elections in May and June. MM CARNOT and GARNIER PAGES, who were returned for Paris on the 21st of March last, were both members of the Provisional Government, and it is objected that their election signified a dangerous relapse of public opinion into republican ideas. Rumors of a *coup d'état* were again very rife after their election; but these rumors have now subsided, and I do not think there is any danger of the Emperor's entering upon a reactionary course.

I must confess that practically France enjoys a great deal more liberty than she did a few years ago. The restrictions now existing are for the most part of a very harassing nature, which do not substantially interfere with the diffusion of free opinion. The "warnings" to newspapers are not often followed by any harsher measure, and it is astonishing how soon they forget their admonitions, and return to the charge. Nothing can be more absurd than the prohibition against abridging or analyzing parliamentary speeches, but as long as the text is published, journalists will find out a way to call public attention to the most salient parts. The present Minister of Public Instruction, M. DURUY, a liberal man and very much disliked on account of his liberality, by the clerical party, has authorized public lectures by literary men, which were obstinately prohibited by his predecessor. The Emperor, unfortunately, continues to maintain the temporal power in Rome, but in spite of all the influence of the priests with the Empress, he has certainly done nothing lately to strengthen the Ultramontanes in France.

The great question of the hour is whether the Emperor's policy is peaceful or warlike, and I have a very strong opinion that it is on the whole peaceful. I think the course of his conduct for the last year shows this. There was a very strong impression in the Autumn that he could not possibly put up with the insulting answer of Russia to his remonstrances on behalf of Poland, and it was said that he would lose prestige in the eyes of the army and the country if he did not redeem M. BILLAULT'S promise to do something "effectual" for Poland. But when the Emperor found that England would not join him in a war, he cleverly started the "red herring" of the Congress which he knew well enough was out of the question, but which has admirably answered his purpose of creating a diversion and shifting responsibility from his shoulders. I do not mean to say that he has not, to some extent, lost prestige both at home and abroad. I think he has. People know now practically that he is wisely capable of eating his leek without many wry faces, when he finds he cannot have his own way. Many people fancied that the refusal of the Congress must surely lead to a general war this Spring, but now all thoughts of such a thing seem to have evaporated. The Emperor would not, I think, be at any time averse to a war, if he could see his way clearly to rapid success. But I do not think he will do anything rash. He is not so young as he was, and has a taste for a quiet life. The Italian war, while it enabled him to say that he is a real soldier, tried his nerves and sickened him of personal command. At present I do not think he will undertake any European war unless England joins him, and of that there is small chance. The prevalent feeling of France is in favor of peace at almost any price. That results from all the reports of the Prefects and the debates in the Senate and Corps Legislatif. The report on the budget, which appears in the *Moniteur* of this day, strongly insists on the necessity of peace. The Emperor, knowing that the country would desert him if he were to plunge into a war which should turn out to be long and disastrous, has the strongest motives for keeping the peace. His paramount object is to die quietly in the Tuileries and leave his throne to his son. As I heard a deputy observe yesterday: "The Emperor looks upon the whole world as so much manure for his dynasty."

With these general remarks to lay a foundation, I hope in future to keep you "posted up" in French affairs nearly every week. PARISIAN.

OUR CHICAGO CORRESPONDENCE.

Cairo—Paducah—Union City—Columbus—Fort Pillow—Forrest's Raid—Gen. Brayman, &c., &c.

CHICAGO, Wednesday, May 11, 1864.

I observe that some of the Eastern papers are still discussing the subject of FORREST'S recent raid into Western Kentucky, and censuring the Commandant of the Union forces in the District of Cairo—Gen. BRAYMAN. I notice likewise that it has been under discussion in the Senate, and one of the grave members of that august body actually supposed that Fort Pillow was at Paducah, until corrected by another member a little better posted in geography. During my peregrinations last week, I encountered an intelligent gentleman, who is posted in matters in that district, in Kentucky, Missouri, and Illinois, as well as in military affairs. From him I obtained information which is of public interest, and which will also place the conduct of the Commander at Cairo in its true light before the country.

The military district of Cairo embraces the following forts: Paducah, Cairo, Columbus, Hickman, Island No. 10 and Union City. The distance between the extreme points is about one hundred and sixty miles. On the 20th of March, when Gen. BRAYMAN assumed command, the following garrisons were at the various posts: Paducah, 408; Cairo, 231; Columbus, 998; Hickman, 51; Island No. 10, 162; Union City, 479—making an aggregate of 2,329. Three-fourths of these were colored troops, many of whom had not been mustered into service. Of the white force, nearly one-half at the posts on the river were acting as Provost-Marshals' guards, or were on other detached service. This, of course, would leave but a small number for movements. The fortifications at Cairo, at which place and Mound City near by was at least ten million dollars' worth of Government property—had been neglected and become almost useless, guns dismounted, or otherwise unfit for service. Paducah is fifty miles above Cairo, on the Ohio, which it commands, and, in the enemy's hands, neither the Cumberland or Tennessee would be of any use to us. Mound City, which is eight miles from Cairo, also on the Ohio, is the great naval depot for the Western gunboat fleet, where they receive their ammunition, stores, &c. Public property to the value of $5,000,000 is constantly kept there. It was garrisoned by about fifty men of the Veteran Reserve Corps. There were gunboats in the river, however. Cairo itself is the head of supplies for the army and navy of the Southwest. Columbus and Island No. 10 are both strongly fortified, and both command the Mississippi, as we all will remember before their capture. Union City is twenty-four miles inland, and of no importance except as being a railroad point.

Such was the condition of affairs, when on the 23d of March, the commanding officer at Paducah, Col. HICK, and at Union City, Col. HAWKINS, telegraphed that armed bands had appeared in their neighborhood. On the same evening Col. HAWKINS reported FORREST at Jackson, sixty miles from him, with 7,000 men, and asked for reinforcements, as he expected to be attacked within twenty-four hours.

At that time Gen. BRAYMAN had a disposable force under his own command, at Cairo, of not over 150 men. It would not do to withdraw the garrisons of Paducah or Columbus, for they were in about in as much danger of an attack as Union City, and even up to that time it was not certain whether FORREST would attack Paducah or Union City first.

It so happened that Gen. VEACH'S brigade, amounting to some 2,000 men, arrived at Cairo, bound up the Tennessee. They were waiting transportation, which had to come from St. Louis, and Gen. BRAYMAN obtained permission to use them if necessary. Meanwhile Gen. SHERMAN telegraphed to start Gen. VEACH'S command at once up the Tennessee. But it was impossible to do this immediately for the want of boats.

About 5 o'clock on the morning of the 24th, Gen. BRAYMAN became convinced that Union City would be the first point of FORREST'S attacks. Boats were impressed, and by 10 o'clock the expedition started. Col. HAWKINS was telegraphed to that reinforcements were on the way. A battery was added at Columbus; but on arriving within six miles of Union City, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, information was received that a surrender had taken place at 11, and that the garrison had been immediately marched southwest. While going out from Columbus, another dispatch was received from Gen. SHERMAN, directing Gen. BRAYMAN not to divert the troops bound up the Tennessee on account of the presence of FORREST. At 3 the next morning, Gen. VEACH'S men were turned over to him again, ready to proceed on their destination. It was the intention of Gen. BRAYMAN to save Union City, and bring in the garrison, but the surrender, which is regarded by all as premature, defeated this object. The attacking force was about 1,500, without artillery, while the garrison numbered nearly 500, within intrenchments. The rebels had been three times repulsed, and the garrison had lost but one man killed and wounded when the flag came down.

Paducah was attacked about three o'clock on the afternoon of the 25th. Gen. VEACH'S men were then embarking on their transports, in pursuance of Gen. SHERMAN'S orders. Of the 150 available men at Cairo it was not deemed safe that they should be moved while FORREST was in striking distance of the immense depot of public stores there. How Paducah was defended by Col. HICKS and his gallant men is well known. Speaking of the colored troops under his command, Col. HICKS in his official report, says, "I have been one of those men who have never had much confidence in colored troops fighting, but these doubts are now all removed, for they fought as bravely as any troops in the fort." Paducah, as a rebel town, and in being shelled and partially destroyed, it got no more than its deserts. In fact Western Kentucky is under the control of the rebels. They are killing, robbing, and driving out the Union men. They receive arms from FORREST, while the Unionists, until the recent order of Gen. BRAYMAN, allowing them to purchase, were almost wholly unarmed. The rebels *swear* that the loyal men shall take no part in the approaching election, and unless the permission to them to procure arms is continued, they will carry out their threats. The Union men have already commenced operations. They take no prisoners, but woe to the bushwhackers that fall into their hands. With the countenance of the National officers, they promise to set Western Kentucky right in a few months—and they will do it!

FORREST'S force, with which he attacked Paducah, is estimated, by military men, at 6,500. Being all cavalry, as a matter of course, our infantry would make a poor show of chasing them, even if they were in numbers equal.

Some find fault with the shelling of Paducah; but their sympathies might as well be expended upon Charleston. The rebels occupied the houses and fired upon the gunboats and the fort. A specimen of chivalry was exhibited here. The women and children were directed to retire under the river bank and thus be out of harm's way. The rebel sharpshooters mingled with them, and from this cover wounded several men on the gunboats!

On the 20th, Gen. BRAYMAN received dispatches that FORREST was approaching Columbus. He immediately gathered up what few troops could be had, and went to its relief. The rebels appeared before the place, but no serious attack was made. The small garrison of Hickman was brought in.

In regard to Fort Pillow, about which so many mistakes have been made, it may be well to say that it is on the Mississippi, 170 miles below Cairo, and in the Memphis Military District. On the 13th of April, Gen. SHEPLEY arrived at Cairo, and reported Fort Pillow probably taken by the rebels. Gen. BRAYMAN telegraphed Gen. SHERMAN the facts, adding that troops had just arrived, with which he would go down and assist the garrison, or retake the fort if it had surrendered. He was told not to send any men from Cairo to Fort Pillow; to let Gen. HURLBUT take care of that quarter; that troops arriving at Cairo might reinforce temporarily Paducah and Columbus, but should be held ready to move up the Tennessee; that the principal object of FORREST was to divert these troops, and thus prevent our concentrating.

There are some other notes in relation to Gen. SHERMAN'S ideas respecting FORREST'S stay in Western Kentucky—trade regulations—supplying the rebels—smuggling across the Ohio—the massacre at Fort Pillow, in relation to which Gen. BRAYMAN procured some twenty-five affidavits before the Committee on the Conduct of the War came down—disloyalty in Southern Illinois, and other matters of a cognate nature, which I will write out and forward.

GALE ON LAKE MICHIGAN.

A terrific gale swept over Lake Michigan, and the western shore is lined with wrecks for the distance of 100 miles. In the vicinity of this city there are seven schooners, one barge and one propeller, "high and dry," except two or three, which have gone to pieces. At Milwaukee there are several beached, and occasionally one between here and there. The amount of damage is quite large, although most of the vessels will be got off. This is the second heavy gale this Spring attended with serious marine disasters. The season commenced rather inauspicious for the underwriters.

Three regiments of hundred days' men are nearly full in this City. The whole levy, it is supposed, will be completed within the week. These new men ought now to be garrisoning Washington, so that the veterans there could go to the front.

Our Common Council difficulties are likely to come to a close. One of the Democratic Aldermen has published a card—coming out from "the foul party." He avows that he is a War Democrat, out finds that he cannot act with his party and for his adopted country at the same time, and therefore will no longer affiliate with the Copperheads of the council. This gives the Unionists a majority of ten. He is a German and stands by the principles of DOUGLAS.

The Anniversary of the Christian Commission.

The anniversary of the Christian Commission was held on Sunday evening in the Academy of Music, which was crowded to its utmost capacity. W. E. DODGE, Esq., opened the meeting by proposing the well-known hymn

"All hail the power of Jesus' name,"

which was then sung by the whole audience. Prayer was offered by Bishop MCILVAINE, of Ohio. After which Mr. DODGE stated that the object of the meeting was not to spresent statistics of the past operations of the Christian Commission, but to make a direct appeal to the people in behalf of the wounded soldiers, who at the present moment are suffering terribly on the field, and in the hospitals, for want of those stores and attentions which it is the object of the commission to afford. We have come here, said he, to forget ourselves for a few hours, and to consider what we can do to alleviate the sufferings of our brethren who have so nobly sacrificed everything for us.

Rev. Dr. ADAMS, of this City, was then introduced. After a few touching allusions to the dying words of the lamented Gen. RICE, whose funeral sermon he had preached in the afternoon, he said that the Christian Commission had a twofold object in view—care of the physical wants of the soldiers, and care of their piritual necessities. It was the duty of the agents of the commission to bind up the wounds; to bring the cup of cold water to moisten the lips of the wounded and the dying; and it was also their duty to administer solace to the parting soul. If he had been invited to speak ten days ago, he would have been moved to give his hearers his personal impressions of his recent visit to the army. He thought that a look at the army as it lay in camp, calmly awaiting the order to march forth to battle was worth ten years of peaceful life. It was now a solemn thought to him that so recently he had shaken hands with Generals and privates, some of whom had fallen, and others of whom were still exposed to all the perils of the field of battle. He spoke of the solemnity which pervaded the army, of the deep religious sentiment which everywhere prevailed among the officers and privates. In this connection he paid a well-deserved tribute to the fidelity of the army chaplains in the performance of their duties, and described several touching scenes which passed under his own eye in the rude log chapels or mission tents when he preached to the soldiers or prayed with them. Dr. ADAMS then adverted in fitting terms to the sufferings endured by wounded soldiers in the field of battle, and alluded to our inability to form an adequate conception of a field after the battle has closed, and the dead and wounded lie together on the ground waiting to be cared for. In the fight of last Tuesday, he remarked, the brigade of Gen. RICE, which went into the fight 1,800 strong, lost over 800 men. The terrible Wilderness was strewn with the dead and dying. We need men to proceed at once to their assistance, to administer to their bodily necessities, and to whisper words of consolation to the parting spirit, to receive the messages of love and last words to distant friends, and to do all, in short, which can be done to alleviate the sufferings of our brave defenders.

Dr. ADAMS said he had been struck with the earnest religious spirit which characterized the army, and he was convinced that most of them who fell were prepared to die. These men had consecrated themselves with such solemn earnestness to the cause of their country, needed but a few moments of such concentrated feeling as the approach of death compels to make their peace with God. Dr. ADAMS closed with a fervent prayer for victory and peace.

The next speaker was Dr. KIRK of Boston. His remarks were in the same strain. He alluded to the nobility and holiness of the present war for the Union, and said that when Sumter was fired upon there was no ground for question between peace and war. The nation's conscience led the people forth to battle for freedom and justice. It was a man's duty to kill his own father, if that father put himself on the other side. The speaker paid a glowing tribute to the bravery and the virtue to the men who have left home and kindred for the sake of the old flag. He proceeded to show how necessarily inadequate were the Government preparations for the care of the spiritual welfare of the soldiers, and how the Christian Commission supplied the deficiencies. But at the present time it was our duty to save the lives of our soldiers who were wounded, and he urged upon the meeting the necessity of giving liberally, both men and money for this noble purpose.

Mr. G. H. STUART, of Philadelphia, after a letter had been read, giving in detail the arrangements which had been made by the commission for the care of the wounded, made an eloquent appeal to the meeting to raise $100,000 for the commission. While the collection was being taken, Mr. ASPINWALL read the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the objects and labors of the Christian Commission, eminently commend themselves to the Patriotism and Christianity of our Country.

Resolved, That the men who are periling life, and health, and fortune, for the preservation of our country, should receive the full-hearted Christian sympathy and support of the people of this land

Resolved, That in these ministrations of mercy the wants and claims of the thousands who, in the providence of God, are committed to our hands as prisoners of war, should not be overlooked or neglected. To care for such is peculiarly in accordance with the precepts and example of our Divine Lord, whose name we bear and in whose service we are engaged.

Resolved, That it be urged upon all our churches and citizens that their prayers and contributions and efforts be given promptly and without stint to the work so wisely commenced and so effectually carried on by the Christian Commission.

Gen. ANDERSON rose and said: "I second these resolutions with all my heart." They were then passed unanimously.

At this moment a telegram was handed to Mr. STUART, who, after glancing at it, remarked that it contained good news from the army, and that if a large collection were taken up he would read it.

Rev. Mr. DURYEA was then called upon for a speech. After a little hesitation he complied, and spoke eloquently for above half an hour on the topic which is uppermost in the minds of the people.

Mr. STUART, at the conclusion of his remarks, announced that the amount subscribed was between $20,000 and $30,000, and he hoped it would be made up to $100,000 before to-morrow night.

The telegram announcing that Gen. SHERIDAN had shaken hands with Gen. BUTLER was then read, and the meeting was appropriately closed with the hymn:

"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow."

Suggestions to the Women of New-York.

WHO ARE INVITED TO A MEETING AT THE COOPER INSTITUTE.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Knowing that there is a great difference of opinion respecting the requsites or the luxuries of life, as well as difference of means which makes an expenditure that is scarcely perceptible to one purse, create a serious void in another; feeling that the interests of our country are the same to every individual, and that the ostentatious, thoughtless, and extravagant will, when the long-prayed for blessing of peace returns to us, be as much benefited as they who have borne the struggle with self-denial and labor; feeling also that there can be no loyal league or true union unless all place themselves on a just level, it is suggested that such ladies as truly and earnestly are willing to deny selfish indulgence and vanity, willing to be estimated for the adornments of mind and heart, rather than the variety and brilliancy of their attire; who desire the permanent and real good of their country, and acknowledging the tearful race of luxury and folly which has brought its inhabitants to the terrible civil war, are ready to turn aside from all participation in and encouragement of such courses, to pursue a sober, thoughtful, sensible mode of life, conducive to the moral and mental elevation of all classes, for all time to come; not only willing to refrain for the present from adding to stores of luxuries already burdensome, with the thought that in a few years, or perhaps months, it may be easy to return to the same style of living at less cost; but in the hope that when the brave men who have laid down their lives and health for the country, shall have ended the work, the women may, by united and persevering will, in encouraging home industry and art, place the restored Union on a basis of greater independence than ever. To this end it is proposed that the loyal ladies resolve not to purchase expensive imported articles of dress, to offer high prices for the best American manufactures; not to wear freely or constantly such expensive clothing as they may at present possess, but to prefer simple and inexpensive goods for daily wear, trusting to the graces of deportment and intellect to establish their position in society, and to reserve those elegant garments as festive attire for many years till our own country shall be able to supply them.

Our worthy grandmothers were not ashamed to own one best silk dress for the holiday occasions of twenty years, and to leave it to be cherished, with the memory of their household virtues, by their children.

Many ladies have sufficient valuable apparel to serve for a life time if carefully used; and it will evince a generous feeling toward those whose extravagance has not made them equally well provided, to abstain from producing a contrast by constant display in dress.

To refrain from the purchase of silk, velvet, diamonds, feathers and lace, during the continuance of the war, is a very slight sacrifice, one which any loyal and right-hearted American woman ought to be ashamed not to have made long before being forced to do it by the state of the currency rather than from sympathy with the sorrow and suffering around them. So long as their purses remained full, too many residents of New-York feasted and frolicked, as usual, regarding the roar of the battle-field as distant thunder, pausing to give sums to the soldiers, it is true, but in how many cases on an average, was the act of charity one of self-denial, and how often have the needs of the soldier furnished opportunity for ill-gotten wealth in all the ramifications of shoddy?

Let the American women make it a matter of principle as well as feeling. Let them resolve not to purchase imported cosmetics, embroideries, ready-made lingerie or millinery; to banish from the table imported sauces, preserves and fruits; trusting that when the head of the family dispenses with foreign wines and cigars, health and comfort may be equally promoted by the varied productions of our native land, aided only by the tea, coffee and sugar which long use has rendered indispensable. The women of New-York have shown great readiness to exert themselves in various ways for the benefit of the soldiers, and it is to be hoped the zeal which has done so much, may be evinced by leaving undone whatever is prejudicial to the best interests of the country. How useless, if not cruel, to minister bountifully to the comfort of a man because he exposes his life to maintain the Government of his country; and yet to encourage anything that hinders or weakens the resources of that Government, and forces hundreds more to suffer and die. Why cannot the women take the field for their country's interests as determinately as GRANT and HANCOCK? Let them say:

"We propose" conscientiously to keep every cent we possibly can, in our own country.

"We propose" not to cavil at the taxes and depreciation of currency which are forced on us by our country's troubles.

"We propose" not to permit any disloyal or depreciating discourse on the Government.

"We propose" by a thoughtful consideration of our duties to our country and to society, to promote moderation, honesty and contentment in all classes; and so may we deserve and enjoy the peace which, when it comes, will come bought at a nameless cost.

Is this too much to be said by those who sit tranquilly at home, when the strong, the good and the brave propose to give every thought, energy and breath, for the cause? A LOYAL WOMAN.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST OR MISLAID—CERTIFICATE NO. 3,396, for one hundred shares ILLINOIS CENTRAL SCRIP STOCK, dated Aug. 12, 1863, in the name of Camman & Co.

The transfer has been stopped, and all persons are notified not to negotiate the certificate.

Application will be made for a new certificate.

The finder is requested to return the same to WHITEHOUSE, SON & MORISON, No. 29 William-st.

LOST OR MISLAID.—CERTIFICATE NO. 10,871 for one hundred shares Erie Railway common stock, in the name of Dwight Townsend. Also, Certificate No. 10,500, for one hundred shares Erie Railway common stock, in the name of Richard Schell, owned by the undersigned. The transfer has been stopped, and all parties are notified not to negotiate the certificates. Application will be made for new certificates. The finder is requested to return the same to PETERS & PROBST, No. 13 Broad-st.

LOST—A CERTIFICATE OF INDEBTEDNESS from the United States Treasury for five thousand ($5,000) dollars. No. 25,641, due may 23, 1864. All persons are cautioned against the purchase or negotiation of the same as payment thereof has been stopped. Whoever will return the same to No. 113 Liberty-st. will be liberally rewarded. R. H. MANNING.

NEW-YORK, May 14, 1864.

$300 REWARD—FOR CONVICTION OF thief and recovery of HARNESS, BRIDLES and other horse equipments stolen on Wednesday night from stable No. 96 West 28th-st., or a proportionate reward for the return of property. J. S. YOUNG,

Chief Detective Force, Metropolitan Police Headquarters.

WINES AND LIQUORS.

NO. 600 BROADWAY—SOLE AGENCY IN New-York for the celebrated Kelley's Island Catawba Wine—for sale in any quantity, and guaranteed pure. This wine has invariably taken the first premium for five years past, in competition with all other wines.

OTIS FIELD & CO., No. 600 Broadway.

REYNOLDS TURBINE WATER-WHEELS.

Competent men are employed to measure streams, make plans, and put in flumes, wheels and gearing.

TALLCOT & UNDERHILL, No. 170 Broadway, N. Y.

THE ARMY AND NAVY.

U. S. NAVY.
AND
MARINE CORPS.
NEW-YORK COUNTY VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE,
OFFICE NEW BUILDINGS,
CORNER CHAMBERS-ST. AND BROADWAY.

5,000 RECRUITS WANTED
FOR THE NAVY AND MARINE CORPS.

COUNTY BOUNTY OF $200 AND $100, CASH DOWN FOR SAILORS,
AND
$200 FOR MARINES AND PRIZE MONEY.

THE UNITED STATES AUTHORITIES HAVING, in order to fill up the navy and Marine Corps, authorized the raising of recruits for that branch of the service, and guaranteed that recruits for the navy and Marine Corps shall be counted on the quotas of the places where they elect to be credited, the same as if they were recruits for the army, the County Volunteer Committee have resolved to pay recruits for the navy and Marine Corps the following bounty, cash down, upon th ir being duly mustered into the service:

When enlisting for one year in the navy $100
When enlisting for more than one year in the navy.. $200
When enlisting for Marine Corps $3 0

ANY PERSON BRINGING A RECRUIT FOR THE NAVY OR MARINE CORPS TO THIS OFFICE WILL RECEIVE A COUNTY PREMIUM OF $20.

PAY OF THE U. S. MARINE CORPS.

Grades.	
First or Orderly Sergeant	$20 per month.
All other Sergeants, each	17 per month.
Corporals	13 per month.
Drummers and Fifers	12 per month.
Privates in Barracks at Navy-yard	13 per month.
Privates at Sea	14 50 per month.

Seamen and ordinary seamen, who will be shipped for two years, will receive, in addition to the above bounty of $240, three months' pay in advance, and three months' extra pay as Government bounty.

The rates of wages are as follows:

First class Firemen	$30 per month.
Second-class Firemen	25 per month.
Coal-passers	18 per month.
Seamen	18 per month.
Ordinary Seamen	14 per month.
Landsmen	12 per month.
Boys	10 per month.

Boys will not be taken unless they are sixteen years of age, robust, in good health, and not below four feet eight inches in height. In all cases the consent of the parents or guardians must be obtained.

The county bounty and the three months' advance pay will be paid to all recruits, irrespective of class; and half-monthly pay can be left at home by application to the Paymasters of the vessels to which the recruits may be assigned.

All needful informs on can be obtained by applying at the Naval tent in the Park, and persons can be enlisted and sworn in at either of the following rendezvous, which are the only ones authorized by the Navy Department in this City.

All recruits thus enlisted, and receiving the bounties aforesaid, will be credited to the quota of the City and County of New-York.

CAPT. OSCAR BULLUS, U. S. N., No. 9 Cherry-st.
CAPT. EDWARD THOMSON, U. S. N., No. 346 Water-st.
LIEUT.-COMDG. JNO. McLEOD MURPHY, U. S. N., No. 14 State-st.
ACT'G-MASTER JOHN W. GOIN, U. S. N., No. 156 South-st.
CAPT. A. N. BREVOORT, U. S. M. C., No. 18 Bowery.
EDWARD P. MEEKER, U. S. M. C., No. 18 Bowery.

County Bounty Rooms, No. 18 Bowery.
C. GODFREY GUNTHER, Mayor.
MATTHEW T. BRENNAN, Comptroller.
ORISON BLUNT, Supervisor.
WILLIAM M. TWEED, Supervisor.
WILLIAM R. STEWART, Supervisor.
ELIJAH F. PURDY, Supervisor.
GEORGE OPDYKE, Auxiliary Member.
County Volunteer Committee.
ORISON BLUNT, Chairman.

NEW-YORK, April 8, 1864.

N. Y. COUNTY VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE.
OFFICE NEW BUILDINGS,
Cor. Chambers-st. and Broadway,
Entrance on Broadway.

10,000 VOLUNTEERS WANTED.

The following are the pecuniary inducements offered:

COUNTY BOUNTY, cash down	$300 00
UNITED STATES BOUNTY additional	100 00
Total	$400 00

Applications to be made *personally* at the office of the Committee.

☞ Any person bringing a recruit for the army to this office, will receive a premium of twenty dollars

C. GODFREY GUNTHER, Mayor,
MATTHEW T. BRENNAN, Comptroller.
ORISON BLUNT, Supervisor,
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GEORGE OPDYKE, Auxiliary Member.
County Committee.
ORISON BLUNT, Chairman.

NEW-YORK, April 4, 1864.

STATE OF NEW-YORK,
OFFICE OF THE PAYMASTER-GENERAL,
ALBANY, May 9, 1864.

FOR WANT OF LIKE FACILITIES AS as were afforded me in the Northern and Western Divisions, the men enlisted under the recent calls in the Southern Division of the State (comprising the first ten Congressional Districts) were obliged, most of them, to go to the field without the State bounty. In the recent battles many, whom the Paymaster had not as yet been able to reach in the field, may have been killed.

Widows and others, residing in New-York City and its vicinity, having claims on this office, will, if they call on Maj. ROBERT BENSON, Jr., No. 7 State-street, New-York City, have their papers arranged and forwarded, FREE OF EXPENSE.

JOHN D. VAN BUREN,
Paymaster-General.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY—TWENTY SURGEONS, for duty in Washington, D. C.; pay, $100 per month. If recommended by well known medical men they will be accepted and forwarded without the usual examination. Apply to the Medical Director, U. S. A., No. 125 Bleecker-st., New-York.

MEETINGS.

MERCANTILE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

REGULAR NOMINATIONS.

At a meeting of members held at Clinton Hall, 13th inst., Mr. Chas. H. Swords was unanimously nominated for President. On declining to be a candidate for re-election, the following ticket was then nominated by acclamation:

FOR PRESIDENT,
ROBERT WALKER IRWIN,
with Henry Eyre.
FOR VICE-PRESIDENT,
THOMAS T. HAZARD,
with Lawton Bros.
FOR CORRESPONDING SECRETARY,
WILLIAM BELDEN,
with Courtney & Mills.
FOR RECORDING SECRETARY,
A. JUDSON STONE,
with N. E. James & Co.
FOR TREASURER,
JAMES W. EDWARDS,
with Wright, Brinckerhoff & Co.
FOR DIRECTORS,
EDWIN P. WEED, with Lathrop, Ludington & Co.
B. SEABURY GUION, with Williams & Guion.
NATHANIEL D. WHITE, with C. H. Meday.
ALEXANDER KIRKLAND, with Stanton, Sheldon & Co.
WILLIAM A. HALSTED, with Lawrence & Baldwin.
WILLIAM J. HUTCHINSON, with D. Moffatt & Co.
SAMUEL B. LYON, with Ogden & Blewett.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:
JOSEPH H. LECOUR, Chairman.
FREDERICK WHITE, FRANK W. BALLARD,
JAMES PETRIC, C. E. KING SHERMAN,
E. COOPER DEDERER, FRANK SHEPHEAD.

Friends of the above ticket are invited to meet at Curet's, No. 764 Broadway, every evening until the election.

J. C. PARSONS,
A. S. SWORDS,
PETER G. LECOUR,
WM. H. HANFORD,
SAM'L J. POLLOCK,
Executive Committee.

Election TUESDAY, May 17. Polls open from 8 A. M. to 9 P. M.

MERCANTILE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.
REGULAR UNION NOMINATIONS.
1864.
FOR PRESIDENT.
THEODORE H. VULTEE,
With American Exchange Bank.
FOR VICE-PRESIDENT.
PETER VOORHIS, with Panama Railroad Company.
FOR CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.
ANTON A. RAVEN, with Atlantic Mutual Insurance Co.
FOR RECORDING SECRETARY.
E. V. P. BESSON, with Besson, Camerden & Co.
FOR TREASURER.
ROYAL PHELPS WILBUR, with Maitland, Phelps & Co.
FOR DIRECTORS.
DANIEL M. JARVIS, with E. Whitehouse, Son & Morson.
THOMAS H. CULLEN, with Sprague, Cooper & Colburn.
H. L. BOARDMAN, with Henry DeCordova & Co.
T. J. MAGUIRE, with Lanman & Kemp.
GEO. W. FORTMAYER, with Robert Colgate & Co.
FREDERICK M. PECK, with Tiffany & Co.
ALBERT E. MERCHANT, with U. S. Appraisers.

ELECTION, TUESDAY, May 17. Polls open from 8 A. M. to 9 P. M.

Headquarters at the JONES HOUSE, No. 734 Broadway, open every evening. Friends of the above ticket are invited to be present.

CHARLES OSGOOD, JAMES H. PERCIVAL,
ALEX. REID, A. B. VALENTINE,
PETER J. BARRY, MORTIMER L. MACKENZIE,
THAD. V. TABER, THEO J. HUSTED,
W. H. MARVINE, DAN'L W. BERDAN.
Executive Committee.

NEW-YORK INSTITUTION FOR THE INSTRUCTION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB.

MAY 10, 1864.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the members and the election of officers and directors of this institution, will be held at the Institution, Washington Heights, on TUESDAY, 17th inst., at two o'clock P. M.

There will be an exhibition of the pupils on the occasion, which the LIFE MEMBERS are particularly invited to witness.

The Hudson River Railroad trains from Chambers-street, at 12 and 1 o'clock, will convey members to the nearest station, 152d-st.

ANDREW WARNER, Secretary.

NOTICE.—A MEETING OF BUTCHERS, CHANdlers, tallow and grease melters, provision packers, and every man interested in the above trades within the City limits, will be held on MONDAY EVENING next, at 7½ o'clock, for the purpose of forming a Citizens' Protective Union, and also to take into consideration the extraordinary and arbitrary course of the City Inspector and other officials, touching the above trades.

W. C. HALL, President.
D. F. BUTCHER, Secretary.

AN ELECTION FOR TWENTY-SIX GOVERNORS of the Society of the New-York Hospital will be held at the Hospital

FINANCIAL.

OFFICE OF
VERMILYE & CO., BANKERS,
NO. 44 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK.

We are prepared to convert the U. S. 7.30 TREASURY NOTES into the 6 per cent. BONDS of 1881, with promptness, and on favorable terms.

Also, BUY and SELL, at market rates, all kinds of GOVERNMENT SECURITIES, including

U. S. 5.20 BONDS.
U. S. 7.30 TREASURY NOTE.
U. S. 12 MOS. CERTIFICATES OF INDEBTEDNESS.
U. S. QUARTERMASTERS' CHECKS.
U. S. Two Year 5 per cent. LEGAL TENDER NOTES.
U. S. 6 per cent. COUPON and REGISTERED, of 1881.

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We keep on hand, for immediate delivery, an assortment of Bonds of this new Loan.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT SECURITIES AND GOLD.

Stocks and Bonds bought and sold at the Brokers' Board on commission. Mercantile collections made on all points in the United States and Canada.

ROBINSON & OGDEN,
(Late with Fisk & Hatch,)
COMMISSION BROKERS,
No. 4 Broad-street,
Two doors from Wall.

Government Securities, Stocks, Bonds and Gold bought and sold on commission.

Quartermasters' Checks and Government Vouchers bought, sold, and negotiated.

Subscriptions received for the New National 10-40 Loan.

Particular attention given to the collection of U. S. one year six per cent. Certificates of Indebtedness, and to the conversion of 7 3-10 Treasury Notes into U. S. 6 per cent Bonds of 1881.

Collections made on all points in the United States and Canadas, with prompt returns.

ARTHUR ROBINSON, I. G. OGDEN, Jr.

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NEW YORK: Fisk & Hatch, Bankers. Bank of the Commonwealth
PHILADELPHIA: Jay Cooke, & Co., Bankers. E. S. Whelen & Co., Bankers.
WASHINGTON: Hon. L. E. Chittenden, Register of the Treasury. J. B. Hutchinson & Co., Bankers.
BOSTON: Hon. S. H. Walley, President of the Revere Bank Brewster, Sweet, & Co., Bankers.

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No. 139 BROADWAY, New-York.
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U. S. 6s of 1881, and all other U. S. SECURITIES bought and sold and furnished to order.

STOCKS, BONDS and GOLD bought and sold on commission.

Accounts received from Banks, Bankers, and individuals.

Four per cent interest allowed on deposits subject to check at sight.

FISK & HATCH, BANKERS
and
DEALERS IN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES,
and
U. S. LOAN AGENTS.
NO. 38 WALL-STREET,

receive subscriptions to the NEW U. S. 10-40 LOAN, allowing the usual commission to BANKERS and DEALERS. Also,

BUY and SELL all classes of U. S. SECURITIES at market rates.

U. S. 7-30 TREASURY NOTES, converted into the 6 PER CENT. BONDS of 1881, on favorable terms.

U. S. 10-40 FIVE PER CENT. LOAN.
CHARNLEY & HATCH, BANKERS,
No. 34 Wall-st.,
SUBSCRIPTION AGENTS

for the above popular Loan, are prepared to receive subscriptions on the most favorable terms, and to furnish the Bonds and Certificates in the shortest possible time.

UNITED STATES SECURITIES of the various descriptions, BOUGHT AND SOLD.

STOCKS, BONDS AND GOLD, BOUGHT AND SOLD ON COMMISSION.

BROWN, BROTHERS & CO.,
NO. 56 WALL-ST.,
ISSUE COMMERCIAL AND TRAVELERS' CREDITS FOR USE IN THE COUNTRY AND ABROAD.

AUGUST BELMONT & CO.,
BANKERS,
No. 50 Wall-st.,
Issue circular Letters of Credit for travelers on all parts of Europe, &c.

UNITED STATES 10-40 LOAN.
FIFTH NATIONAL BANK OF NEW-YORK,
No. 339 84 Pine-st.,
Designated Depository and Financial Agent of the United States.

Subscriptions to the above loan are now received on the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury.

RICHARD KELLY, President.
A. THOMPSON, Cashier.
NEW-YORK, May 6, 1864.

LIVERMORE, CLEWS & CO.,
BANKERS
AND
U. S. GOVERNMENT LOAN AGENTS,
No. 32 Wall-st., New-York.
Subscriptions received to the
NATIONAL 10-40 LOAN.

All the various denominations on hand ready for immediate delivery. One-eighth commission allowed to Banks, Bankers and Brokers.

U. S. SECURITIES of all descriptions purchased and for sale.

COLECTIONS made on Washington and on all other points of the United States and Canada, at low rates and quick returns.

7 3-10 TREASURY NOTES
Converted into 1881 Bonds.
INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS
made by Banks, Bankers and individuals, subject to draft at sight.

TEN-FORTY GOVERNMENT BONDS.

TENTH NATIONAL BANK,
No. 240 BROADWAY,

Has on hand for immediate delivery an assortment of these Bonds—one-eighth of one per cent. allowed buyers.

D. L. ROSS, President.
J. H. STOUT, Cashier.

U. S. 10-40
FIVE PER CENT. LOAN.
E. MORRISON & CO., Bankers, No. 17 Nassau-st., Subscription Agents for the above loan, are now prepared to receive subscriptions and furnish the Bonds. One-eighth per cent. commission allowed to banks, bankers and brokers. Stocks, Bonds and Gold bought and sold on commission.

J. N. PERKINS & CO.,
NO. 50 WALL-ST.,
are prepared to furnish the TEN-FORTY FIVE PER CENT. BONDS of the United States to parties desiring to invest. A commission of ONE-EIGHTH per cent. will be allowed to all applicants.

MINING STOCKS,
as well as all other kinds of securities, bought and sold at all the Stock Boards in New-York, Boston, Philadelphia, &c., or otherwise, on commission, by ALBERT H. NICOLAY. No. 52 William-st.

OFFICE OF THE ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY, NEW-YORK, May 6, 1864.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Shareholders of the Illinois Central Railroad Company for the election of Directors and the transaction of other business, will be held at the office of the company, in the City of Chicago, on WEDNESDAY, the 25th day of May, 1864, at 12 o'clock noon. The transfer books of the full and scrip shares will be closed at the close of business on the 12th inst., and reopened on the morning of the 28th inst. L. A. CATLIN, Secretary.

CHICAGO AND NORTHWESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY, April 28, 1864.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD and stockholders of the Chicago and Northwestern Railway Company for the election of Directors, and for the transaction of any other business that may come before them, will be held at the office of the Company in the City of Chicago, on THURSDAY, the 2d day of June, 1864, at 3 o'clock P. M. WILLIAM B. OGDEN, President.

OFFICE OF THE HOPE FIRE INS. CO., No. 92 Broadway.

AT THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Company, held on the 9th inst., the following gentlemen were chosen for the ensuing year:

STEPH. CAMBRELENG, ROBERT SCHELL, JACOB REESE, JAMES S. SANDFORD, HENRY M. TABER, JOHN PENFOLD, STEPHEN HYATT, D. LYDIG SUYDAM, JOSEPH FOULKE, THEODORE W. RILEY, HENRY S. LEVERICH, JOSEPH GRAFTON, JNO. W. MERSEREAU, WM. REMSEN, THOS. P. CUMMINGS, AMOS ROBBINS, LEBBEUS B. WARD, JOSEPH BRITTON, WM. H. TERRY, FRED'K SCHUCHARDT.

And at a subsequent meeting of the Board, JACOB REESE, Esq., was unanimously reelected President, and CHARLES D. HARTSHORNE was appointed Assistan Secretary. THOMAS GREENLEAF, Secretary.
NEW-YORK, May 11, 1864.

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY

Notice is hereby given to the subscribers to the Capital Stock of the Union Pacific Railroad Company, that a call for a further payment of Ten Per Cent. upon the amount of their subscriptions has been made this day, payable at the office of the Company, No. 13 William-st., New-York, on or before the 20th of June next.

NEW-YORK, May 10, 1864.
By order of the Executive Committee.
JOHN A. DIX, President.
JOHN J. CISCO, Treasurer.

TELEGRAPH AND EXPRESS STOCKS
Bought and sold by W. O. RUGGLES,
No. 18 Wall-st., New-York.
Western Union Telegraph, Independent Telegraph, United States Telegraph, } for sale.

LAND WARRANTS PURCHASED AND for sale. U. S. REVENUE STAMPS sold wholesale, at 2 to 4½ per cent. discount, by C. & G. WOODMAN, No. 35 Pine-st.

COMMISSIONER FOR NEW-JERSEY and other States—No. 5 Beekman-st., Room No. 2, first floor, over Park Bank.

FINANCIAL

REDEMPTION OF $2,000,000
SOLDIERS' SUBSTITUTE BOUNTY FUND BONDS
OF THE COUNTY OF NEW-YORK,
PAYABLE JUNE 1, 1864.

Notice is hereby given that the "Soldiers' Substitute Bounty Fund Bonds," of the County of New York, becoming due and payable June 1, 1864, with the interest thereon, will be paid on that day on the presentation of said bonds at this office.

PROPOSALS FOR A LOAN
OF
$2,000,000.

PROPOSALS FOR $2,000,000 SOLDIERS' SUBSTITUTE BOUNTY REDEMPTION BONDS.

Sealed proposals will be received at this office until SATURDAY, May 28, 1864, at 2 o'clock, P. M., for the whole or any part of the sum of $2,000,000 of "Soldiers' Substitute Bounty Redemption Bonds" of the County of New-York, authorized by Chapter 7, and as amended by Chapter 11 of the laws of 1864, and by an ordinance of the Board of Supervisors, approved May 4, 1864.

Said bonds will bear interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, on the first day of May and November in each year, and the principal will be redeemable in successive annual installments of $500,000 each, commencing on the first day of November, 1873.

The proposals will state the amount of bonds desired, and the price per one hundred dollars thereof; and the persons whose proposals are accepted will be required to deposit with the County Treasurer (at the Broadway Bank,) on Wednesday, the 1st day of June, 1864, the sums awarded to them respectively.

On presenting to the Comptroller the receipts of the County Treasurer for such deposits, the parties will be entitled to receive Bonds for equal amounts of the par value of the sums awarded to them bearing interest from June 1, 1864.

Each proposal should be sealed and indorsed, "Proposals for Soldiers' Substitute Bounty Redemption Bonds," and enclosed in a second envelope addressed to the Comptroller.

The right is reserved to reject any or all of the bids if considered necessary to protect or promote the interests of the County.

MATTHEW T. BRENNAN,
Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW-YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, May 6, 1864.

THE AMERICAN
COAL OIL STEAM COMPANY.

ORGANIZED UNDER THE GENERAL LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW-YORK.

BOOKS OF SUBSCRIPTION TO THE CAPITAL stock of this Company for a limited number, say 50,000 shares, will be opened on THURSDAY, the 19th day of May next, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 3 o'clock P. M., for a day only, at the Company's office, No 33 Pine-st., New-York. The shares are $5 each, upon which 10 per cent, will be required to be paid at the time of subscription. The Company are the owners of Shaw & Linden's Patent for Generating Steam with Coal Oil or other Combustible Fluids. A Pamphlet, embodying the report of the three Chief Engineers of the Navy to the Department at Washington, also the Charter of the Company and other valuable information, can be obtained upon application at the office of the Company.

OFFICERS.
President, DAVID E. TURNER.
Treasurer, H. HOLTHAUSEN.
Secretary, JOHN L. LINTON.
TRUSTEES,
H. HOLTHAUSEN,
Hon. C. GODFREY GUNTHER, Mayor of the City of New-York,
JAS. L. HARWAY, of Partridge & Harway,
HENRY RANDEL, of Randel & Baremore,
WM. G. SMITH, of Sutton, Smith & Co.,
GEO. B. SARGENT,
JOHN L. LINTON (Patentee),
DAVID B. TURNER,
JOHN P. YELVERTON, President Bank of North America.

FOURTH NATIONAL BANK
OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.

Capital.....$5,000,000

By the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury, this bank is prepared to receive subscriptions to the NATIONAL TEN-FORTY LOAN,

issued under an act supplementary to an act entitled "An Act to provide ways and means for the support of the Government," approved March 3, 1863.

THIS LOAN IS

redeemable after ten and payable forty years from date, with interest at the rate of five per cent, per annum. Interest and principal payable in coin. Subscriptions to the above must be made in lawful money of the United States, and the accrued interest paid in coin or in National currency, adding fifty per cent. premium until further notice MORRIS KETCHUM, President.
A. W. SMITH, Assistant Cashier.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that it is the intention of the undersigned to form an incorporated company, under and pursuant to the provisions of an Act of the Legislature of the State of New-York, entitled "An Act to provide for the Incorporation of Fire Insurance Companies," passed June 2d, 1853, and the several acts amendatory thereof, for the purpose of transacting the business of Insurance, that is to say, to make insurance on dwelling-houses, stores and all kinds of buildings, and upon household furniture, and other property, against loss or damage by fire, and the risks of inland navigation and transportation, and that the principal office for the transaction of the business of said company will be located in the City of New-York.

Dated at the City of New-York this Twenty-ninth day of April, Eighteen Hundred and Sixty-four.

WILLIAM S. CORWIN,
ROBERT DUNLAP,
THOMAS McELLAND,
EDWARD C. ROBINSON,
CHARLES HUDSON,
JOHN S. MARTIN,
JOHN N. HAYWARD,
CONRAD BRAKER, Jr.,
GEORGE W. LANE,
JOHN C. SAGEMAN,
PEARSON S. HALSTEAD,
EBENEZER H. PRAY,
JAMES W. TRASK,
HENRY P. DEGRAAF,
JACOB FINK.

Seal of the Comptroller of the Currency.

In testimony whereof, witness my hand and seal of office, this sixteenth day of April, 1864,
HUGH McCULLOCH,
Comptroller of the Currency.

ST. LOUIS, ALTON AND TERRE HAUTE RAILROAD CO., ST. LOUIS, April, 1864.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BONDHOLDERS and Stockholders of this Company, for the election of thirteen Directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may be brought before them, will be held at Pana, Christian County, Illinois, on MONDAY, the 6th day of June, 1864, at 1 o'clock P. M. All the transfer books of the Company, both of bonds and stocks, will be closed on the 6th May, until the 6th June, inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors.
J. B. RALSTON, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE NEW-YORK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, Nos. 112 and 114 Broadway, NEW-YORK, May 11, 1864.

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TRUSTees held this day, MORRIS FRANKLIN was unanimously reelected President; ISAAC C. KENDALL, Vice-President, and Wm. H. Beers, Actuary.
WM. H. BEERS, Actuary.

NEW-YORK SAVINGS BANK—CORNER OF 14th-st. and 8th-av.; open daily from 10 to 5 P. M.; Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 to 7 P. M. Six per cent interest allowed. Deposits made on or before June 1 will draw interest from that date.

THOMAS CHRISTY, President.
R. H. BULL, Secretary.

FINANCIAL.

THE
GOLD ORE
MINING COMPANY, OF COLORADO.

CAPITAL, $250,000.

SHARES, 25,000. PAR VALUE, $10 EACH. ISSUED IN PAYMENT OF PROPERTY, AND NOT LIABLE TO ASSESSMENTS.

$50,000 RESERVED FOR WORKING CAPITAL.

TRUSTEES.

JAMES D. FISH, President of the Marine Bank.
JNO. W. B. DOBLER, Cashier of the Sixth National Bank.
WILLIAM A. COBB, President of the Fulton Insurance Company.
WM. L. CORTELYOU, Assistant Secretary of the Bowery Fire Insurance Company.
CHARLES O. MORRIS, of White, Morris & Co., Bankers, No. 29 Wall-st.
WILBURT F. HERBERT, of Herbert & Hunter, No. 74 Wall-st.
CHARLES H. TODD, late of Taylor & Todd, No. 78 Cedar-st.
DAVID S. DUNCOMB, No. 8 Pine-st.
SAMUEL EDDY, Morristown, N. J.
PRESIDENT,
CHARLES H. TODD.
TREASURER AND BANKER,
CHARLES O. MORRIS.
SECRETARY,
DAVID S. DUNCOMB.
COUNSEL,
S. E. CHURCH, Esq., No. 200 Broadway.
MINING SUPERINTENDENT,
ALFRED THOMSON, Esq., Central City, Colorado.

OFFICE OF THE COMPANY, NO. 8 PINE-ST., N.Y.

This company is organized to work the Thomson and Talbot mines, situated 250 feet northwest of the "Consolidated Gregory Company's Works," and those of Lee, Judd & Lee, in the Gregory district, midway between the Gregory and Bates lodes, and comprising 900 feet of *thoroughly developed and worked property*, on the parallel Bledsoe and Louisa lodes, with mill site, building, tools, ores, &c., and also 600 feet of first-class lodes, undeveloped, in the immediate vicinity.

The shafts have been sunk through the cap to the depth of 165 feet, and the abundance and rich quality of the ores fully proved by assay and actual working. Being but fourteen feet apart, the two lodes may be worked together with but little more than the ordinary expense of working one. Reliable estimates and vouchers in the possession of the company, show the capacity of the mines, *as now developed*, to yield, with the new machinery which the company hope to have in operation by Aug. 1 next, $1,200 per day in gold, which, allowing for estimated expenses, is over ONE HUNDRED PER CENT. UPON THE WHOLE CAPITAL.

While such an estimate, following the fashion of the day, would amply justify a capital of ONE or TWO MILLIONS, yet no such capital being in fact necessary, the company have thought it for the interest of the stockholders would best be consulted by fixing the amount of their capital upon the basis of an actual cash requirement, and leaving the dividends to be paid monthly or quarterly, to determine the real value of their stock.

The capital is therefore fixed at $250,000, of which $50,000 is reserved as a working capital. The greater part of the stock is already taken; $100,000, including the working capital, may be subscribed for, ONLY AT PAR, at the office of WHITE, MORRIS & CO., bankers, No. 29 Wall-st., and at the Sixth National Bank, corner 34th-st. and Broadway, payable one-half ($5 per share) at time of subscribing, balance on the 1st day of June.

The working capital is amply sufficient for stocking the mines with first class machinery, and will be faithfully devoted to that object. An experienced agent, entirely familiar with them, leaves for the mines immediately.

GREAT WESTERN
(Marine)
INSURANCE COMPANY,
No. 39 William-street,
NEW-YORK.

BRANCH OFFICE IN LONDON.
BRANCH OFFICE IN LIVERPOOL.

Authorized Capital	$5,000,000
Cash Capital and Surplus	2,052,253
Assets, Jan. 1, 1864	2,902,145
Dividend paid Policy Holders and Stockholders to date	3,275,000

A LIBERAL CASH DISCOUNT IN LIEU OF SCRIP DIVIDEND allowed to those who prefer it at the inception of the risk.

Losses adjusted and paid in London on shipments to Europe.

Losses also paid in gold when the premium is paid in gold.

DIRECTORS:

W. C. Pickersgill, of W. C. Pickersgill & Co., New-York, and of Fielden Bros. & Co., Liverpool.
William H. Guion, of Williams & Guion, New-York. and of Guion & Co., Liverpool.
Samuel D. Babcock, of Babcock Bros. & Co., New-York, and of B. F. Babcock & Co., Liverpool.
James M. Brown, of Brown Brothers & Co., New-York, and of Brown, Shipley & Co., London, and Liverpool.
N. Chandler, of J. Munroe & Co., New-York and Paris.
George W. Hennings, of Hennings & Gosling, New-York and of Hennings, Gosling & Co., Liverpool.
W. Butler Duncan, of Duncan, Sherman & Co., N. Y.
Henry F. Spaulding, of Spaulding Hunt & Co., New-York
John L. Aspinwall, New-York.
John Allen, New-York.
James Benkard, of Benkard & Hutton, New-York.
Gustavus Kutter, or Loeschigh Wesendock & Co., N. Y.
L. H. Brigham
John A. Mecke, New-York.
John R. Gardiner, New-York.
Wm. M. Evarts, of Evarts, Southmayd & Choate, N. Y.
Robert Spedding, of Henry A. Swift & Co., New-York.
J. B. Johnston, of J. Boorman, Johnston & Co., N. Y.
Frederick C. Gebhard, of Schuchardt & Gebhard, N. Y.
Samuel B. Caldwell, of Caldwell & Morris, New-York.
Wilson G. Hunt
John J. Crane, of Bucklin & Crane, New-York.
J. Pierpont Morgan, of J. Pierpont Morgan & Co., N. Y.
George W. Bee, of Williams, Bee & Co., New-York.
William Wright, of Wright, Maitland & Co., New-York.
Emil Heinemann, of Heinemann & Payson, New-York.
Thomas Slocomb, New-York.
George A. Phelps, Jr., of Chamberlain, Phelps & Co., N.Y.
M. A. Sorchan, of Sorchan, Allien & Diggelmann, N. Y.
Douglas Robinson, of Robinson & Cox, New-York.
Edward Von Der Heydt, of J. W. Schmidt & Co., N. Y.
David P. Sellar, of Dennistoun & Co., New-York.
of Dennistoun, Cross & Co., London.
Charles G. Landon, New-York.

RICHARD LATHERS, President.
JOHN A. PARKER, Vice-President. ALEXANDER MACKAY, 2d Vice-President.
WILLIAM T. LOCKWOOD, Secretary.

THE COMPANY REFERS IN EUROPE TO
City Bank of London, London.
Messrs. Brown, Shipley & Co., London and Liverpool.
Messrs. Fielden Brothers & Co., Liverpool.
Messrs. B. F. Babcock & Co., Liverpool.
Consolidated Bank, Manchester.
Messrs. J. F. Jamieson & Co., Glasgow.
Rougement De Lowenberg, Esq., Paris.
Messrs. John Munroe & Co., Paris.
William Iselin, Esq., Havre.
Iselin Lenos, Esq., Antwerp.
Messrs. John Louis Lemme & Co., Antwerp.
Messrs. John Berenberg, Gossler & Co., Hamburg.
Messrs. Van Reghen & Co., Amsterdam.
Messrs. Carl F. Plump & Co., Bremen.

OFFICE DENVER (Gold) MINING COMPANY, No. 61 CEDAR-ST., NEW-YORK, May 14, 1864.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Board of Trustees have this day declared a second (2d) Quarterly Dividend of two (2) per cent., payable at the office of the company, free from Government tax, on FRIDAY, 20th inst. Transfer books will remain open until the day previous.

By order of the Board of Trustees.
JAMES WADSWORTH, Secretary.

QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, No. 6 STATE-ST., NEW-YORK, March 7, 1864.

PERSONS OWNING OR REPRESENTING steamers, ships, schooners, &c., are requested to send into this office daily the names of all such vessels as they may wish to charter to the Government or have freight for. Their tonnage, standing, rate of charter, &c., will be equired.
STEWART VAN VLIET,
Major and Quartermaster.

DIVIDENDS.

OFFICE PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, NEW-YORK, May 10, 1864.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Board of Directors have this day declared a Dividend of Five (5) Per Cent. out of the net earnings of the last three months, payable at the office of the company, on THURSDAY, the 19th instant. The transfer books will close on the 12th instant, and reopen on the 23d instant. By order of the Board of Directors.
THEODORE T. JOHNSON, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE HUDSON IRON COMPANY, HUDSON, N. Y., May 7, 1864.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF the Hudson Iron Company have this day declared a dividend of thirty per cent. on the Capital Stock, payable at their office, in this City, on WEDNESDAY, the 1st day of June, 1864, to the Stockholders whose names shall on that day stand in the books of said Company as Stockholders. By order of the Board.
S. SEYMOUR, Treasurer.

LEGAL NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT—CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW-YORK.—WILLIAM H. BRIDGES and SIDELIA M. BRIDGES, plaintiffs, against JAMES T. LLOYD, defendant.—Summons for a money demand on contract.—To the defendant above-named, JAMES T. LLOYD: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, of which a copy was filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, on the 9th day of May, 1864, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscriber, at his office, No. 182 Broadway, in the City of New-York, within twenty days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiffs in this action will take judgment against you for the sum of seven hundred and fifty-seven dollars and fifty-five cents, ($757 55,) with interest from the eighteenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, besides the costs of this action.—Dated New-York, March 10, 1864.
D. IRA BAKER, Plaintiffs' Attorney,
No. 182 Broadway.

PROPOSALS.

PROPOSALS FOR $200,000
"NEW-YORK COUNTY COURT-HOUSE STOCK."

Sealed proposals will be received at the Comptroller's Office until WEDNESDAY, May 25, 1864, at 2 o'clock, P. M., when the same will be publicly opened, for the whole or any part of the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars of "The New-York County Court-house Stock," authorized by Chap. 242 of the Laws of 1864, and by an ordinance of the Board of Supervisors, approved by the Mayor, May 2, 1864.

The said stock is to provide additional means for the construction and completion of the new County Court-house on Chambers-street. It will bear interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, paying semi-annually on the first day of May and November in each year, and the principal will be redeemable as follows, viz: One hundred thousand dollars on the first day of November, 1885, and one hundred thousand dollars on the first day of November, 1886.

The proposals will state the amount of stock desired, and the price per one hundred dollars thereof, and the persons whose proposals are accepted will thereupon be required to deposit with the County Treasurer, the sums awarded to them respectively.

On presenting to the Comptroller the receipts of the County Treasurer for such deposits, the parties will be entitled to receive certificates for equal amounts of the par value of the sums awarded to them, bearing interest from the dates of payments.

Each proposition should be sealed and indorsed "Proposals for New-York County Court-house Stock," and inclosed in a second envelope, addressed to the Comptroller.

The right is reserved to reject any or all of the bids if the interest of the County require it.

MATTHEW T. BRENNAN,
Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW-YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW-YORK, May 14, 1864.

PROPOSALS FOR $300,000
CENTRAL PARK IMPROVEMENT FUND STOCK
OF 1876.

Sealed proposals will be received at the Comptroller's Office until TUESDAY, the 17th day of May, 1864, at 12 o'clock P. M., when the same will be publicly opened for the whole or any part of the sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars of the Central Park Improvement Fund Stock, authorized by Chapter 85 of the Laws of 1860, and by an Ordinance of the Common Council, approved by the Mayor April 25, 1860.

The said Stock will bear interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, payable quarter-yearly, and the principal will be redeemed November 1, 1876.

The proposals will state the amount of Stock desired, and the price per one hundred dollars thereof; and the persons whose proposals are accepted will thereupon be required to deposit with the Chamberlain of the City the sums awarded to them respectively.

On presenting to the Comptroller the receipts of the Chamberlain for such deposits, the parties will be entitled to receive certificates for equal amounts of the par value of the Stock, bearing interest from the dates of payments.

Each proposition should be sealed and indorsed "Proposals for Central Park Improvement Fund Stock," and inclosed in a second envelope, addressed to the Comptroller.

The right is reserved to reject any or all of the bids, if the interests of the Corporation require it.

MATTHEW T. BRENNAN, Comptroller.
CITY OF NEW-YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, April 16, 1864.

POST-OFFICE, NEW-YORK, May 13, 1864.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at this office until 12 o'clock M. on MONDAY, the 23d inst., for transporting the United States Mail between this office and the several railroad depots and steamboat landings in this City.

The number of trips necessary for the performance of this service at the present time are as follows, viz.:

TO HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD DEPOT, corner of Warren and Chambers sts., nine trips daily, (Sundays excepted,) and on Sundays three trips to 30th-st.

TO NEW-HAVEN RAILROAD DEPOT, corner of 27th-st. and 4th-av., ten trips daily, (Sundays excepted,) and two trips on Sundays.

TO HARLEM RAILROAD DEPOT, corner of 26th-st. and 4th-av., two trips daily, (Sundays excepted.)

TO NEW-JERSEY TRANSPORTATION CO.'S RAILROAD DEPOT, foot of Cortlandt-st., eleven trips daily, (Sundays excepted,) and four trips on Sundays.

TO CAMDEN AND AMBOY RAILROAD CO.'S STEAMBOAT, foot of Barclay-st., three trips each day, (Sundays excepted.)

TO NEW-JERSEY CENTRAL RAILROAD DEPOT, foot of Cortlandt-st., or elsewhere, six trips daily, (Sundays excepted.)

TO MARINERS' HARBOR STEAMBOAT, Pier No. 2 North River, or elsewhere, two trips daily, (Sundays excepted.)

The wagons employed in the performance of this service must be so covered as to afford ample protection to the mails, and must be such as shall in all respects be satisfactory to the Postmaster at New-York.

Proposals for this service must be made with a due regard to the number and length of trips performed, in order that should the number of trips be required to be "pro rata" compensation may be allowed, or should a less number prove sufficient, the "pro rata" therefore may be deducted.

All proposals for this service must be guaranteed by two responsible citizens, who shall bind themselves, that in case his or their bids are accepted, the service shall be satisfactorily performed.

The lowest responsible bidder will be accepted, and designated as "Mail Messenger," and must be prepared to commence the service at an early date after being notified of the acceptance of his bid.

All proposals for the above service must be sealed, and addressed to the Postmaster of New-York, indorsed Proposals for Mail Messenger Service.

MAY 12, 1864. ABR'M WAKEMAN, Postmaster.

ORDNANCE OFFICE, WAR DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, May 4, 1864.

PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the Department until WEDNESDAY, May 25, at 2 P. M., for the delivery, at the following Arsenals, of HORSE EQUIPMENTS, United States Cavalry pattern, as hereinafter specified:

At the New-York Arsenal, 15,000 sets.
At the Frankford Arsenal, 2,000 sets.
At the Alleghany Arsenal, 5,000 sets.
At the St. Louis Arsenal, 3,000 sets.

These sets of Horse Equipments are to be furnished complete, except the horse-brush, curry-comb, lariat, picket-pin link, nose-bag, spurs and straps, and blanket, watering bridle and sweat leathers. The curb bridle reins are to be ¾ of an inch wide. The curb, watering bridle, and sweat leathers, bits, the malleable iron, hardware, and surcrups, are to conform strictly in pattern and finish to those deposited at the Arsenals above-named. The trees are to be of the regulation pattern, assorted sizes—not less than 3½ inches between the bars on the inside of the pummel, the bars of hard white-wood, or beech; the pummels and cantles of beech, well put together; all the irons one-tenth of an inch thick, and all let into the wood; to be covered with the best slaughtered cow-hide; all other covering to be rejected. The trees are to be subject to inspection during all stages of their manufacture, and if deemed necessary, the leather to be inspected before cutting; but the final inspection will be made at the Arsenals where delivered.

Deliveries must be made in lots of not less than one-tenth per week of the whole number contracted for; the first delivery to be made on the 15th day of June, 1864.

Failure to make deliveries at a specified time will subject the contractor to a forfeiture of the number he may fail to deliver at that time.

No bids will be considered from parties other than regular manufacturers, and such as are known to this Department to be fully competent to execute in their own shops the work proposed for.

Bidders will inclose with their bids the written acknowledgments of their sureties, over their own signatures.

Each party obtaining a contract will be obliged to enter into bonds, with approved sureties, for its faithful execution.

Upon the award being made, successful bidders will be notified, and furnished with forms of contract and bond.

The department reserves the right to reject any or all bids if not deemed satisfactory.

Proposals will be addressed to "Brig.-Gen. George D. Ramsay, Chief of Ordnance, Washington, D. C.," and will be indorsed "Proposals for Horse Equipments."

GEO. D. RAMSAY,
Brig.-Gen., Chief of Ordnance.

TO CONTRACTORS.—SEPARATE SEALED proposals, each indorsed with the title of the work for which the same be offered, the name of the person presenting the same and the date of its presentation, will be received at this office until 12 o'clock M. of TUESDAY, May 24, 1864, for the construction of sewers in the following streets, to wit: In Third-avenue, from One Hundred and Eighteenth-street to One Hundred and Twenty-ninth-street, with branch in One Hundred and Twenty-third-street, between Second and Third-avenues; also in One Hundred and Twenty-ninth-street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues; also in Orchard-street, between Houston and Stanton-streets; also in Fiftieth-street, between Fourth and Lexington avenues; also in Tenth-avenue, between Thirtieth and Thirty-first streets; and also in Seventh-avenue, between Thirtieth and Thirty-first streets. The plans for the above may be seen and specifications obtained on application to the contract clerk.

THOS. STEPHENS, ROBT. L. DARRAGH, A. W. CRAVEN, } Croton Aqueduct Board.

OFFICE OF THE CROTON AQUEDUCT DEPARTMENT, May 12, 1864.

ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, FORAGE DEPARTMENT, No. 66 CEDAR-ST., NEW-YORK, March 11, 1864.

PROPOSITIONS WILL BE RECEIVED daily, for the FREIGHTING OF FORAGE for the U. S. Quartermaster's Department, from New-York City, Philadelphia, Boston, Portland, and other ports on Coast of Maine,

TO

Washington, Alexandria, Va.; Newbern, N. C.; Port Royal, S. C., and New-Orleans, La.

PROPOSITIONS

must state name, standing and capacity of vessel, quantity of hay and grain, respectively, they will require, and when ready for cargo, and addressed to

S. L. BROWN,
Captain and Asst. Quartermaster.

FORAGE DEPARTMENT, No. 66 CEDAR-ST., NEW-YORK CITY.

WANTED—HAY, STRAW, CORN AND OATS, for which cash will be paid on delivery.
S. L. BROWN, Capt. and A. Q. M., U. S. A.

PROPOSALS.

PROPOSALS FOR FORAGE.

CHIEF QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, WASHINGTON DEPOT, Dec. 8, 1863.

SEALED PROPOSALS are invited by the undersigned for supplying the United States Quartermaster's Department, at Washington, D. C., Baltimore, Md., Alexandria and Fort Monroe, Va., or either of these places, with Hay, Corn, Oats and Straw.

Bids will be received for the delivery of 5,000 bushels of corn or oats, and 50 tons of hay or straw, and upward.

Bidders must state at which of the above-named points they propose to make deliveries, and the rates at which they will make deliveries thereat, the quantity of each article proposed to be delivered, the time when said deliveries shall be commenced, and when to be completed.

The price must be written out in words on the bids.

Corn to be put up in good stout sacks, of about two bushels each. Oats in like sacks, of about three bushels each. The sacks to be furnished without extra charge to the Government. The hay and straw to be securely baled.

The particular kind or description of oats, corn, hay or straw, proposed to be delivered, must be stated in the proposals.

All the articles offered under the bids herein invited, will be subject to a rigid inspection by the Government Inspector before being accepted.

Contracts will be awarded from time to time to the lowest responsible bidder, as the interest of the Government may require, and payment will be made when the whole amount contracted for shall have been delivered and accepted.

The bidder will be required to accompany his proposal with a guarantee, signed by two responsible persons, that in case his bid is accepted, he or they will, within ten days thereafter, execute the contract for the same, with good and sufficient sureties, in a sum equal to the amount of the contract, to deliver the forage proposed in conformity with the terms of this advertisement; and in case the said bidder should fail to enter into the contract, they to make good the difference between the offer of said bidder and the next lowest responsible bidder, or the person to whom the contract may be awarded.

The responsibility of the guarantors must be shown by the official certificate of a United States District-Attorney, Collector of Customs, or any other officer under the United States Government, or responsible person known at this office.

All bidders will be duly notified of the acceptance or rejection of their proposals.

The full name and Post-office address of each bidder must be legibly written in the proposal.

Proposals must be addressed to Brigadier-General D. H. Rucker, Chief Depot Quartermaster, Washington, D. C., and should be plainly marked "Proposals for Forage."

Bonds, in the sum equal to the amount of the contract, signed by the contractor and both of his guarantors, will be required of the successful bidder or bidders upon signing the contract.

Blank forms of bids, guarantees and bonds, may be obtained upon application at this office.

FORM OF PROPOSAL.

(Town, County, and State